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Queen Mary In Motor Accident

MILITARY FOR SHOLAPUR

3 Killed And 25 Injured In Clashes: Curfew Order Enforced

In view of the tense situation at Sholapur, the District Magistrate has issued a curfew order and served the local press with orders not to comment on communal tension and riot news.

The casualties so far are six killed and 55 injured.

The British India police and the Nizam's Police came in conflict over the arrest of Satyagrahis at Umarkhed, which is a frontier town. A British policeman is reported to have been taken in custody by the Nizam's Police.

The Arya leaders have expressed readiness to obey the Magistrate's order. The Delhi Office of the International Aryan League has forthwith arranged for encamping all Satyagrahis intended for Sholapur at Pusad.

Prof. Sudhakar Stresses Non-violence

NEW DELHI, May 23.

In view of the situation at Sholapur the Hyderabad Satyagraha Committee has directed all Arya Samaj centres to send jathas to reach Pusad in place of Sholapur.

Prof. Sudhakar, Secretary of the International Aryan League, in the course of a statement says that no slackening of the activities is to be allowed and still greater efforts are to be taken to achieve their legitimate religious rights in Hyderabad State.

The Satyagraha Committee reminds all Satyagrahis strictly to observe non-violence in the face of the gravest provocation.—United Press.

British Police Come In Conflict With Nizam's Police

SHOLAPUR, May 23.

A message from Umarkhed states that 300 Satyagrahis who left for Hadgaon on the border of the Nizam's territory on the morning of May 22, under the leadership of Mr. Ganesh Bhat, pleader of Amraoti and First Dictator of C.P., were arrested. Over 10,000 witnessed the Satyagraha and the subsequent arrests. Mr. B. G. Khaparde blessed the Satyagrahis.

The crowds were chased and lathi charges were made by the Nizam's police on their shouting "Jais." Further ugly developments were prevented by the timely appearance of the British Police, who prevented the Nizam's Police from encroaching into the British territory.

One British India Policeman is alleged to have been injured, while rescuing one Satyagrahi from the Nizam's Police, who are further alleged to have taken the British India policeman into custody. The kirpans of the Sikh Satyagrahis have been seized and great dissatisfaction prevails.—United Press.

Two Military Companies Called From Poona

SHOLAPUR, May 23.

In view of continuances of stray cases of assault since noon to-day, the District Magistrate has issued a curfew order prohibiting people from moving between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m. Two companies of military have also been called from Poona as a precautionary measure.

Twenty-five persons, who were found guilty of possessing knives and such other weapons, the carriage of which has been banned under section 42 of the Police Act were sentenced to-day to two

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New Page Opened In Rajkot History

MAHATMA EXPOUNDS 'AHIMSA' METHOD

How Apparent Failure Can Be Turned Into Victory

RAJKOT, May 23.

A TOUCHING APPEAL TO THE STATE SUBJECTS NOT TO THINK IN TERMS OF PETTY DIFFERENCES, BUT PUT IMPLICIT FAITH IN THE TECHNIQUE OF AHIMSA WAS MADE BY MAHATMAJI, WHILE ADDRESSING A MAMMOTH GATHERING THIS EVENING AT THE KARANPURA CHOWK.

Gandhiji was visibly moved in addressing the meeting and seriousness and a heavy heart were plainly discernible in his bearing at the meeting.

He asked the Parishad people to sincerely strive for a harmonious end of the present misunderstandings aiming at the restoration of the good relations between the Ruler and the ruled.

He also made an appeal to the Press to refrain from writing or making improper comments which might embarrass his work and the cause of the State subjects.

He advised the Parishad workers not to lose hope, but try to follow his advice and urged them to extend their co-operation to the Reforms Committee set up by the State to the extent of forwarding suggestions or offering advice in the task of the Committee for framing a constitution.—United Press.

MAHATMA'S MOVING APPEAL

RAJKOT, May 23.

"I believe I have opened a new page in the history of Rajkot by my repentance and by the frank admission of my failure. In this, I require your help. I cannot go on single-handed. If the Ruler and ruled both join hands and do their duty, this apparent failure would turn into a victory. This necessitates unity among the people," declared Gandhiji addressing a large gathering at Karanpara Chowk this evening.

The attendance which at first looked small grew larger and on Gandhiji's arrival, the whole chowk was almost full.

In order to avoid rush and stampede, a dais had been arranged on the terrace of a building overlooking the chowk, so that the large audience had a full 'darshan' of Gandhiji.

ADMISSION OF 'SIN'

Gandhiji added, "I have come here to give an account of myself. I want to render account not before the Parishad alone, but before all the people of Rajkot belonging to all groups.

WHY HE UNDERTOOK FAST

"I came here to Rajkot with no good thoughts about Mr. Veerawala. I believed that the Thakore Saheb had broken his promise and from within, I was prompted to undertake the fast. But my mind weakened and the very next day I wrote to the Viceroy for intervention. Now I see that it was an act of sin. Its outcome was the Award and its consequences are known to you. As time went on, I realised my error and immediately renounced the Award."

Expounding his present experiment regarding 'Ahimsa' and the new light he had derived he said, "If you want to follow me, you must have that faith that you could enter into the heart of your adversary by 'Ahimsa.' If you are true and confident of yourself, you may not think ill of Mr. Veerawala. If you do, your 'Ahimsa' is not perfect. I ask you to trust in

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Virawala's 'No' To Mahatma

RAJKOT: May 23.

In reply to Mahatma Gandhi's letter sent yesterday regarding the ban on newspapers, Durbar Virawala is understood to have stated that he cannot lift the same.

Mr. Kalidas Parekh, a member of the newly announced Reforms Committee, saw Mahatma Gandhi this morning and discussed with him about to-day's public meeting.—United Press.

SHIA DEPUTATION TO MEET GANDHIJI

Kalidas Parekh Talks With Mahatma

RAJKOT, May 23.

Mr. Kalidas Parekh one of the leading members of the recently announced Reforms Committee came to Anand Bhuvan this morning and interviewed Mahatma Gandhi for about one hour.

Discussions related mainly to to-day's public meeting for which elaborate preparations are being made in view of the heavy rush expected.

A deputation on behalf of the Shias of Lucknow, consisting of Messrs. Asghar Husein, Mirza Sajjadali Khan and Maulana Mirza Usuff Hussain, President, Secretary and members of the Executive Committee of Tanzeem respectively, will arrive here this morning to see Gandhiji in connection with the Shiah-Sunni dispute which it will be recalled, was referred recently to Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Congress President.—A. P.

Control Of Fleet Air Arm By Admiralty

LONDON, May 23.

Administrative control of the Fleet Air Arm will be assumed by the Admiralty to-morrow. An admiralty announcement explains that the administration will be brought as far as possible into line with the rest of the Navy. The Flag Officer has been appointed as Rear-Admiral of Naval Air Stations with offices at Lee-on-Solent. The Naval personnel in the Fleet Air Arm will be supplemented by R. A. F. officers and airman on loan until such time as the full requirements can be met from Naval sources. The Admiralty will take over control of four R. A. F. Stations.—Reuter.

Doctors Advise Complete Rest

Not Hurt, But Badly Shaken In Collision With A Lorry

LONDON, May 23

Queen Mary was involved in a motor accident at Wimbledon this afternoon, but according to a statement made from Marlborough House, Her Majesty was not hurt.

The motor car in which Queen Mary was tarvelling overturned, and although Her Majesty was badly shaken, she was not hurt, and after resting for some time in a local Doctor's surgery, drove away in another Royal car. When the accident occurred, a painter working nearby hurried to the overturned car, and placed his ladder against the door, and by this means, Queen Mary was assisted out. When Queen Mary drove away from the Doctor's house later, a large crowd outside recognised her and gave a cheer. Queen Mary, who appeared to have been badly shaken raised a smile and acknowledged the crowds' salutation.

According to an eyewitness, the Royal car was involved in a collision with a lorry. A lady-in-waiting, who was travelling with Queen Mary also appeared to have been badly shaken.—Reuter.

DOCTORS' BULLETIN.

A bulletin issued from Marlborough House signed by Mr. Stanley Hewett and Lord Dawson of Penn states "Queen Mary is suffering from bruising and shock as a result of the accident in which Her Majesty's car was overturned. Though the bruising is considerable and need some days' complete rest, Her Majesty's general condition this evening is satisfactory."

EYE-WITNESSES' STORY.

The car wherein Queen Mary was travelling overturned at the junction of Wimbledon Park Road and Westhill Road Putney.

Queen Mary, accompanied by Lord Claud Hamilton and Lady Constance Milnesgaskell was returning to Marlborough House from the Royal Horticultural Society's gardens at Wisley, Surrey. Lord Hamilton received cuts on hand, and Lady Milnesgaskell grazed her arm. They and the chauffeur suffered from shock.

Eye-witnesses of the accident state that Queen Mary was quite calm throughout, and one of the men, who assisted her out of the car said, Her Majesty was smiling and made a joking remark about the accident.—Reuter.

KING ZOG'S FUTURE

May Be Made King Of Syria

(From Our Own Correspondent)

CAIRO (By Air Mail).

There are strong rumours in the Muslim political circles in Turkey and Egypt that Ahmed Zog, ex-King of Albania, might be proclaimed King in Syria. Efforts are being made by some prominent Muslims through some diplomats among the British and French governments in this connection.

Dail Passes Treason Bill

DUBLIN, May 23.

The Dail passed the Treason Bill under which death penalty may be inflicted for treason. The Bill will become law when signed by President Hyde on May 25.—Reuter.

Clashes On Soviet Border

Japanese Claim To Have Shot Down Russian 'Planes

TOKYO, May 23.

A tense situation has developed at the junction of the Rivers, Amur and Ussuri on the Manchukuo—U. S. S. R. border, according to a Domei message from Harbin.

A Japanese tender belonging to the North Manchuria Shipping Bureau was seized by the Soviet authorities in the Fuyuan Waterway.

Russian patrol boats have been cruising in the neighbourhood, and a Japanese frontier Police Officer was killed, when he was fired on by Soviet patrols on the South Bank of the Amur.

Seven outer Mongolian aeroplanes were shot down in "regular air combats," while reconnoitring over Manchukuo during the past three days, according to a Japanese despatch from Hsinking.

The despatch says that Japanese machines challenged the outer Mongolian planes and shot down two in the first engagement, two in the second and three, when ten aeroplanes raided Manchukuoan territory southwest of Nomonhan.—Reuter.

HOLDING FAST TO LEAGUE PRINCIPLES

Statement At Geneva By Lord Halifax

GENEVA, May 23.

Lord Halifax in a statement said that the obligations Britain had undertaken were "aimed at resistance of the imposition of methods of force which, if continued, would lead civilisation into anarchy." Lord Halifax did not lift the veil over the Anglo-Soviet consultations, but made it clear that while it had been impossible in the circumstances to carry out the Government's action in the League, all that had been done had been in strict conformity with the principles of the League.

He added when negotiations were complete the Government would communicate the result to the League. Lord Halifax emphasised that the Government held strongly to the ideals of international collaboration of which the League was a symbol.

M. Bonnet made a statement on similar terms.—Reuter.

FRENCH PLAN TO SOLVE ANGLO-SOVIET DEADLOCK

PARIS, May 23.

"Le Matin's" Geneva Correspondent says that the French plan to solve the Anglo-French-Soviet negotiations is broadly as follows:—

The three countries should guarantee each other mutual assistance in the event of one being the victim of an act of aggression;

Russia should guarantee Poland and Rumania on the same lines as Britain and France have done, but the form of which the Russian Guarantee would take would have to be discussed with the Governments of Warsaw and Bucharest;

Britain and France would guarantee the Soviet, if the latter is indirectly attacked, while meeting her obligations towards other countries.

The correspondent adds that Lord Halifax and M. Maisky may convey this plan to their Governments.—Reuter.

CABINET PREPARES FOR DISCUSSION

LONDON, May 23.

The Cabinet held a special meeting this morning in order to clear off domestic business so that Wednesday's Cabinet meeting may be devoted to the consideration of Anglo-Soviet negotiations.

Among the important business discussed to-day was a bill for establishing a Ministry of Supply, though the measure will not come before the House of Commons until June.

Lord Halifax is returning from Geneva to attend to-morrow's meeting and present a report of his conversations with French Ministers and M. Maisky.—Reuter.

SIX MONTHS' JAIL FOR THREE CZECHS

Offence Of Tearing Swastika Flag On Hitler's Birthday

PRAGUE, May 23.

The first session of the German Court sentenced three Czechs to six months' imprisonment each for tearing down a Swastika flag in a village near Prague on Hitler's birthday.—Reuter.

Yankee Clipper Reaches Southampton

LONDON, May 23.

The Yankee Clipper arrived at Southampton at 12.45 (B S T.)

NATIONAL REGISTER IN AUSTRALIA

Trade Unions Mobilise Mass Boycott

MELBOURNE, May 23.

Mass boycott of National Register questionnaire is being organised by the Australian Council of Trade Unions. The Executive in deciding on this course expresses the fear that the Register will lead to industrial and military conscription of workers.

Four People Killed On Golf Course

LONDON, May 23.

Four people were killed when a Hampden Bomber from Manton crashed in flames at Kelwick near the Newark Golf Course this afternoon.—Reuter.

DERBY WITHOUT ROYALTY

Old Moor's Prophesy: Dream Of Jockey: Owners A. B. C. Of Winners

LONDON, May 23.

At Epsom, secret precautions are being taken to prevent any I.R.A. outrages interfering with the Derby.

Plain clothes men are posted at various parts of the course throughout day and night.

There will be between 700 and 900 on duty to-morrow. For the first time, the race will be over exactly one-and-half miles; previously, it was over a mile and a half and five yards, but the rails have been moved, in order to reduce the course to the exact distance.

Glorious weather prevails and the famous Downs are likely to be thronged to-morrow.

ROYALTY ABSENT

Their Majesties will be greatly missed, but it has been arranged that Reuter will flash the result aboard the royal train traversing Canada.

Wagering has been heaviest for many years, and in last night's call-over, no less than twenty of the runners were well-backed to the tune of nearly 2,00,000 sterling. There was heavy backing for Mr. Edwards Esmond's 'Foxcub' being backed to win 20,000 and the Aga Khan's 'dhoti' being backed to win 18,000. The former pleased critics when he galloped over a part of the course when ridden by Gordon Richards early to-day.

RICHARDS' DERBY DREAM

It is understood that Richards who has never yet won a Derby dreamt that he was at last successful.

Foxcub celebrates his third birthday to-day, just enabling him to qualify to compete, and will accordingly, be the youngest horse in the race.

PROPHECY FAVOURS FOXCUB

Superstitious persons are backing Foxcub, in view of the fact that an old Moor says that the race is likely to be won by a jockey wearing white and may possibly be ridden by a champion jockey. Indeed, fortune telling is so popular all over the world, that the recent cut in price may to some extent be due to this prophecy.

A.B.C. OF DERBY

Owners and trainers at a Press Club Luncheon yesterday gave plenty of information, although none expressed supreme confidence.

However, Sir John Jarvis, owner of Admiral's Walk said that it was as easy as **A B C** i.e., Admiral's Walk, Blue Peter and Casanova.—Reuter.

ALTERATIONS IN DERBY PROBABLES

LONDON, May 23.

The following are the alterations in Derby Probables sent on May 19 Lane Rides Ortiz: Gethin, Snowcap: Sibbritt Atoumaitre. Sirett rides Roderickdhu. Snowcap and Roderickdhu are doubtful starters.—Reuter.

Primate's Reluctance To Follow Pope

LONDON, May 23

The Archbishop of Canterbury, presiding over the Upper House Convocation of Canterbury at Westminister Abbey referredn to the proposal that the Pope should be invited to summon a conference of leaders of all Christian Communions of the World and said that from recent experiences, he thought that, among many Protestants in Europe, there would be great reluctance to follow and lead or initiative taken by the Pope.—Reuter

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MORARJI DESAI'S TOUR.

The Hon. Mr. M. R. Desai, Revenue Minister, will leave for Surat on May 24 from where he will proceed to Hajira and Ahmedabad returning to Bombay on June 2.

London: May 23.—The Military Training and the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bills were read a second time in the House of Lords without a division.

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

(IN FORCE FROM APRIL 1, 1939)

Arrivals at and Departures from Victoria Terminus.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6 00	22 10
Peshawar Lucknow (Exp.)	6 15	23 00
Calcutta Mail (Nagpur)	7 51	17 40
Calcutta Mail (Chheoki)	9 15	20 45
Madras Express	10 15	14 50
Poona Mail	10 30	17 30
Punjab Mail	11 40	18 45
Nagpur Express	14 5	21 25
Poona Fast (Pass.)	16 50	11 50
Poona Express	19 32	8 05
Allahabad Express	20 25	7 00
*Deccan Queen	10 25	17 15
	Mon.	Fri.

*Will not run until after end of April 1939, except before and after important holidays.

B. B. & C. I. Railway

Time-table in force from April 1, 1939.

Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13 50
Delhi Express	6 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	6 45	22 06
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15	21 15
	(Mon	(Sat)
*The Flying Ranee Surat	9 48	15 10
The Flying Ranee, Surat	10 58	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	18 45	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 33	9 25

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, this train will run on Tuesday.

ARRIVALS AT BALLARD PIER

	Arr.
Frontier Mail (On Saturdays only for Homeward Passengers)	8 A

AIR SERVICES

The following air mail time table is in force in Bombay:

London—Bombay (Juhu)

Planes call at Karachi, Bhuj and Ahmedabad.

Arrivals at Juhu, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 1 p.m.

Delivery: Monday (two deliveries) 8 a.m. and 3-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 3-30 p.m.

Bombay (Juhu)—London

Planes call at Ahmedabad, Bhuj and Karachi.

Latest hours of posting at the G.P.O.:—Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 7-30 a.m. Departures from Juhu 10-15 a.m.

Bombay (Juhu)—Colombo

Planes call at Hyderabad, Madras and Trichinopoly.

Latest hours of posting at the G.P.O.:—Sunday, Monday, Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday 11-30 a.m.

Departure from Juhu:—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7-45 a.m.

Arrivals:—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 6-15 p.m.

Bombay—Trivandrum—Trichinopoly

Planes call at Goa, Cannanore and Trivandrum.

Departures from Juhu: Monday 8 a.m.

Arrivals at Juhu: Wednesday, 3-15 p.m.

Bombay—Poona—Kolhapur

Departures from Juhu: Monday and Saturday at 7-30 a.m.

Arrivals at Juhu:—Monday and Saturday at 6 p.m.

Colombo—Bombay (Juhu)

Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 9-45 a.m. Delivery: Sunday 12-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 1 p.m.

Bombay (via Calcutta)—Singapore and Australia

Latest hour of posting:—Monday, Tuesday and Saturday 6-30 p.m.

Australia—Bombay (via Calcutta)

Delivery: Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday 6-30 p.m.

Bombay (via Calcutta)—Hongkong China and Japan

Latest hour of posting: Tuesday and Saturday 6-30 p.m.

Hongkong—Bombay (via Calcutta)

Delivery: Tuesday and Saturday 1 p.m.

Bombay (Juhu)—Delhi

Planes call at Indore, Bhopal and Gwalior.

Departures from Juhu: Monday and Thursday, 6-30 a.m.

Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday and Tuesday 1-55 p.m.

Bombay—Kathiawar

Planes call at Bhavnagar, Rajkot Jamnagar and Porebunder.

Departures from Juhu:—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7-15 a.m.

Arrivals:—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10-45 a.m.

New Urdu Daily And Weekly

Mr. Mohamad Abdul Rahman, the first printer and publisher of the "Khilafat Daily" made a declaration yesterday before the court of the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay for "Pyam-e-Jadid", a new Urdu daily and weekly which will be printed at the Khilafat Press, Love Lane, Byculla and published from the 2nd floor, Vazir Building, Bhendi Bazar.

The new journal will be the organ of the Anjuman Urdu, Bombay, and will be edited by Mr. Nami Sandilvi, the ex-Principal, Cummoo Yacoob High School, Bombay. Its first issue will be out on 28th instant.

PESHAWAR.—Dr. Khan Sahib, Premier, left for Simla by the Frontier Mail this morning to attend the Conference of Home Ministers to be held there on May 25.

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AROUND THE COURTS

Bombay, Tuesday

The flapping of the wings of a parrot kept in a cage in the verandah of a building, during the early hours this morning, roused its owner from slumber and led to the arrest of a night intruder who was about to make away with the cage as well as some clothes hung on a line in the verandah.

Hussein Abdul Kader the arrested man was remanded on a charge of theft at the Girgaum Court at the instance of the Maharbourie Police.

Disappointed In Love

The Coroner's Jury returned a verdict of death caused by "sulphuric acid poisoning which she had voluntarily administered to herself", at the inquest to-day on Dhanmai Cooverji Patel (30), who put an end to her life being unable to bear the pang of disappointed love.

Mr. B. C. Patel, brother of the deceased stated that his sister lived alone at Mahim, supported by his father. A Parsi gentleman had promised to marry her but he changed his mind later on. Over this she was deeply disappointed and used to say that her life was not worth living.

On the night of May 20, she suddenly made a curious noise. They went up to her and found her lips stained with acid. A bottle of sulphuric acid was found near her. She was taken to the K. E. M. Hospital where she died soon after admission.

Arguments were concluded in the Court of Mr. K. C. Thakore, Presidency Magistrate, Dadar, in the case in which a youth is charged with outraging the modesty of a young girl, aged six. Judgment was reserved for 26th May.

Mr. Joachim Alva, Advocate for the accused, replying to the arguments of the Public Prosecutor, who pressed for the conviction of the accused, stated that the prosecution was urging a conviction through dangerous suggestions when it failed through lack of evidence and strength of law.

"Prince" Charged With Cheating

A sensational case of cheating was disclosed to-day before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, when Tymur Jan Aga Jan of Bhopal, described as "the brother-in-law of the Nawab of Basoda," was charged with cheating in respect of a big convertible car valued at about Rs. 9,000.

The accused was alleged to have posed as the Prince of Basoda and Mr. Karaka of Metro Motors, believing in his representations had sold a costly car to him on hire-purchase system. He lodged a complaint of cheating with the Bombay Police, and the accused was arrested at Bhopal in the first week of February 1939 by Sub-Inspector S. A. Khan of the C.I.D.

Mr. Karaka giving evidence stated that the accused was introduced to him as the Prince of Basoda by Mr. Genge, Publicity Officer of the W.I.A.A.

The accused, who was living at Hotel Majestic in December 1938, told him that he wanted a big car. Mr. Genge told witness that the "Prince of Basoda" would like to have the car on hire purchase system and that the full amount would be paid within three months.

Proceeding, witness stated that he agreed to the arrangement and a car valued at about Rs. 9,000 was sold to him and the accused gave him a cheque for Rs. 1,440 on the Bhopal branch of the Imperial Bank. The car was delivered to accused on December 21.

Witness wanted a guarantor, when he was told that Mr. Singh, who was described as the agent of Basoda, would stand as guarantor. The cheque given to him was signed as "Nawab Zada Abi Valli Khan."

CHEQUE DISHONOURED

When the cheque came back dishonoured, a complaint was lodged with the police and the accused was arrested. A registered letter was also sent to the accused's address but it was returned as unclaimed. On January 26, the witness received from the accused a sum of Rs. 1,400 in currency notes.

Witness further stated that the accused had been found moving "in big company" and he informed the Court that he (accused) entertained a Maharaja and a Nawab. Witness actually took him that he was the Prince of Basoda.

Mr. Azad, Bar-at-Law, who appeared for the accused, stated that the accused, though not the brother, was the brother-in-law of the Nawab of Basoda.

The police prosecutor then put in the photo of the accused as an exhibit in it the accused was dressed as a typical Nawab.

The Magistrate asked the accused's Counsel whether they contemplated a compromise.

Mr. Azad stated that attempts were being made to make up the amount to the complainant. The accused, he said, was the only son of his father and he had six sisters, all of whom were married in good families, one of them to the Nawab of Basoda. If each of them could contribute something, the money could be easily paid. The accused, he said, was a young man who led a reckless life.

Magistrate:—But I know the money is not coming?

Mr. Singh, the next witness, denied that he was the agent of the Nawab of Basoda and that he had promised to stand as guarantor for the accused. He first came to know of the accused in 1935, when he was introduced to him as an army officer in Gwalior state. He again met him at Green's Restaurant. In 1938, he met him at Hotel Majestic, when he (witness) was told that he was the Prince of Basoda.

The case stands adjourned.

National City Bank Defalcation Case

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Three witnesses gave evidence to-day when the hearing of the National City Bank of New York defalcation case was resumed before the Chief Presidency Magistrate.

This is the first of a series of prosecutions arising from an alleged fraud involving Rs. 6,00,000 committed on the National City Bank, extending over a period of 18 months.

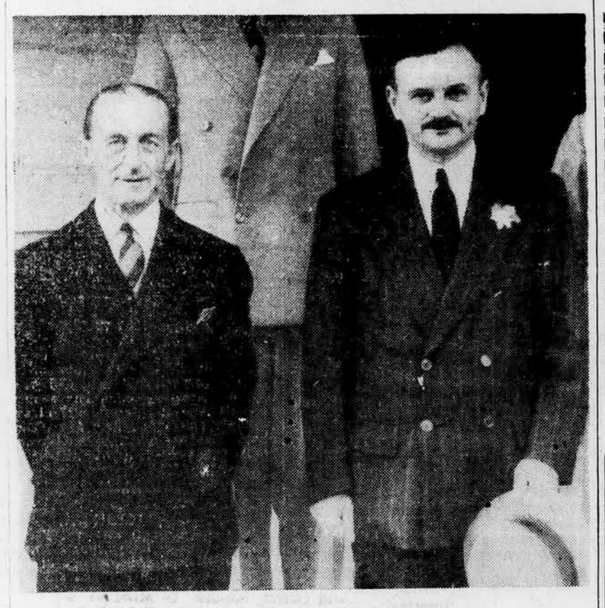
The accused in the case are Victor Miranda, a ledger clerk in the Sheikh Memon Street Branch of the Bank and Hiralal Maganlal Shah, a constituent of the Bank.

Mr. Simons, Sub-Manager of the Bank, in his evidence described the nature of the defalcation and how it was detected. The fraud was committed by the manipulation of the ledger and the statement cards, on which the accounts were kept. Duplicate cards were maintained by the first accused and these were substituted in place of genuine cards. Bogus credits were shown on the accounts operated upon to conceal the extent of the defalcations made by the two accused.

The case stands postponed.

Parel Sporting, the winners of the Jepsen Hockey Cup. They beat Metropolitan by three goals to nil on Saturday.

Mr. M. L. Dahanukar, President, Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, Bombay, who has been appointed Employers' Delegate to the International Labour Conference, Geneva, is leaving for Europe by s.s. "Conte Rosso". He is the Managing Director of Messrs. M. L. Dahanukar & Co., Ltd. and was a member of the Bombay Municipal Corporation for seven years, and of the Bandra Municipal Board for five years. He had served on the Executive Committee of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry since its inception for a number of years and has been also on the Executive Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay.



H. E. SIR ROGER LUMLEY ADDRESSED THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY CORPS AT THE RED CROSS OFFICE, MINT ROAD, ON MONDAY.
(Left to right): Admiral H. Fitzherbert and H. E. Sir Roger Lumley. Picture taken on His Excellency's arrival at the meeting.

Alleged Nuisance At Kennedy Bridge

An application was made before Mr. K. J. Khambatta at the Girgaum Police Court on Tuesday, to alter or reverse an order served on some residents of the Kennedy Bridge locality by the Commissioner of Police to stop playing music after 11 p.m. until further orders.

Mr. K. F. Nariman appeared for one of the residents.

Arguing the case Mr. Nariman raised a preliminary objection saying that the order was not a sequel to any Police complaint.

It is stated that certain residents of the locality represented to the Mayor of Bombay about the alleged nuisance and a copy of the same was sent to the Home Member, the Prime Minister and the Commissioner of Police.

Mr. Nariman represented that in a commercial city, no objection could be taken to noise unless as a sequel to the noise there was some material injury to property. In the case, where the notices were served on 25 singing and dancing girls, they were practising their profession in the locality for more than 40 years. Singing and dancing were traditional arts and there was nothing disreputable in them.

The complainants were free agents who chose the locality deliberately.

His client was a wealthy and well-known singer of the place. They were living there for long.

His preliminary objection was that the complaint was made to the Mayor to take action under the Municipal Act and the grounds for taking Police action were lacking.

He invited the Magistrate to pay a visit to the place.

The alleged nuisance could be dealt with under the provisions of the Cr. P. C. or I. P. C. where provision for dealing with nuisance was made.

The case was postponed to June 12.

Mr. S. M. Dhurandhar appeared for the Police Commissioner.

REPEAL CRIMINAL TRIBES ACT

C. P. Trade Union Congress Demand

BURHANPUR, May 23.

The third session of the Provincial Trade Union Conference was held here on May 20 and 21, Mr. Mukundalal Sircar presiding. Nearly 5000 workers attended.

Messages wishing the conference success were received from Mr. N. M. Joshi, Mr. V. V. Giri, Minister for Industries and Labour, Madras, Mr. S. H. Jhabvala, Mr. V. R. Kalappa, Mr. R. W. Fulay and others.

Mr. R. S. Ruiker, President of the Provincial Trade Union Congress, and delegates from Nagpur, Rajnandgaon, Akola, Hinghanghat and other places attended the conference.

After Mr. Siddique, Chairman of the Reception Committee, had delivered his address, Mr. Mukundalal Sircar said that the problems of poverty and unemployment were closely connected with politics. He exhorted the workers to join the Trade Union Congress and support the Forward Bloc of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose.

The Conference passed resolutions: supporting the grievances of the Burhanpur workers; urging the Rajnandgaon State to remove the ban on Mr. Ruiker; and congratulating Rajnandgaon and Hinghanghat workers on their brave struggle; and supporting the underlying principles of the labour bills introduced by Mr. V. R. Kalappa and others.

While demanding the repeal of the Criminal Tribes Act, the conference exhorted the workers to combat Federation and resist attempts to involve workers in the impending imperialist war.—United Press.

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4-27

TO-DAY ON RADIO

Bombay—I Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s.)
8-0 a.m. Haunting Harmonies. 8-20 News in English. 8-30 Rhythm on Reeds and Strings. 8-45 For Highbrows. 12-30 p.m. Amirbai Karnatki. 12-50 Tunes on Tarangs. 1-0 Market Rates. 1-10 Mutual Understanding. 1-25 A Chorus. 1-30 Music. 3-30 Musical Medley. 6-0 Vinayak Rao Patwardhan. 6-30 Mammu Khan. 6-40 Hamid Husain. 6-55 Durga on Sitar. 7-0 This Next. 7-15 Flute Recital by D. Amel. 7-25 Marathi Song. 7-30 Commercial News. 7-40 Pramilabai. 7-55 Mohammad Umar Khan (Sarod). 8-5 Ghazals. 8-20 Jhande Khan's Compositions. 8-35 Amirbai Karnatki. 8-55 Local News and Announcements. 9-0 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News in English. 9-35 Julia Wortmann: Soprano. 9-45 World Affairs by H. Wickham Steed (B B C). 10-0 The B B C Orchestra. 10-20 Mauro Alphonso: Violin. 10-30 Epilogue.

Bombay—II Programme

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s.)
8-0 to 9-0 a.m. and 12-30 to 2-30 p.m. and 3-30 to 4-30 As in Bombay 1.
61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s.)
6-0 p.m. Light Selection. 6-30 Multani on Dilruba. 6-45 Pramilabai. 7-0 Instrumental Music. 7-15 to 9-35 As in Bombay 1. 9-35 Vinayak Rao Patwardhan. 10-30 Epilogue.

Delhi—1, 2 And 3 Programmes

338.6 metres (886 kc/s.)
31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s.)
19.62 metres (15.290 kc/s.)
8-0 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-10 News in Hindustani. 8-20 News in English. 8-30 to 9-0 As in Bombay 1. 12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Bombay 1.
338.6 metres (886 kc/s.)
60.48 metres (4,960 kc/s.)
31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s.)
6-0 p.m. News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 to 9-0 As in Bombay 2. 9-0 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News in English. 9-35 to 10-30 As in Bombay 2. 10-30 Late News.

Lahore—Programme

276 metres (1,086 kc/s.)
6-0 p.m. Nannhe Babu Kanwar. 6-35 Chanchal Kumari. 6-30 Abdul Azeez Khan Beenkar. 6-45 Nannhe Babu Kanwar. 7-0 Chanchal Kumari. 7-15 Abdul A. K. Beenkar. 7-30 Film Songs. 7-45 Insurance Agent: (Hindustani). 8-0 For Countryside. 8-30 Khursheedbai Hujruwali. 8-45 Nannhe Babu Kanwar. 9-35 Poets as Legislators: 9-50 Chanchal Kumari. 10-0 Abdul A. K. Beenkar. 10-15 Khursheedbai Hujruwali.

Peshawar Programme

(Broadcasts on 200 metres (1,500 kc/s.) from 7 to 10-30 p.m., relaying Delhi programmes from 8 p.m.)

Trichy Programme

397 metres (758 kc/s.)
2-0 p.m. With Classicists. 6-0 For Villages. 6-30 Desamangalam Subrahmanya Aiyar: Veena. 7-0 A B C for Aged (Tamil) by K. G. Sivaswami. 7-15 Sri Krishna Tulabharam (Tamil). 8-0 Going Back. 8-15 Desamangalam S. Iyer: Veena.

Calcutta—I Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)
12-30 a.m. Hope You will Like It 12-30 p.m. Songs by John McCormack 12-50 Music 1-25 Market Rates in English 1-30 School Broadcast 1-50 Ghof-Churi 1-57 My Journey to Europe (Bengali) by Kumari Amala Nandy 2-15 For Young Listerners 5-0 Selection 6-10 Maya Banerjee 6-25 Kalipada Banerjee 6-50 Bhagavaner Rajya 8-5 Wither To-morrow? 9-10 Ful Mohammud 9-30 Desher Lathi Aker Bojha 9-40 Pankaj Kumar Ganguli 9-55 Aker Lathi Dasher Bojha 10-5 Ali Hussain and Party Shahnai Concert: Bageshri.

Calcutta—II Programme

31.48 metres (9,530 kc/s)
10-30 to 11-30 a.m. and 12-30 to 2-30 p. m. As In Calcutta 1.
61.98 metres (4,840 kc/s)
5-0 to 6-10 As In Calcutta 1 6-10 For Countryside 7-0 to 9-10 As In Calcutta 1 9-10 Variety 9-30 Talk of Town 9-45 Gracia Duveck. Entertainer 10.0 Northern evening From Burbleton

Lucknow—Programme

293.5 metres (1,022 kc/s)
6-0 p.m. Rais Ahmad Khan 6-20 Rashke Jahan of Cawnpore 6-35 Vidyadharibai 7-0 For Children 7-40 Rashke Jahan of Cawnpore 8-0 Vidyadharibai 8-15 Rais Ahmad Khan 8-30 Munshiji. 1 8-45 Rashke Jahan of Cawnpore 9-40 Dadras 10-10 Ghazals 10-30 Vidyadharibai

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India Eliminated From Davis Cup

(BY LOOKER-ON.)

As was expected, India has been eliminated from the Davis Cup by Belgium. But unlike last year, India's representatives, Ghaus Mahomed and Savur, put up a very creditable show. They fought every inch of the way and were beaten by the narrow margin of three matches to two. On the first day Belgium was rather lucky to win both the engagements at the end of four sets. If Savur had kept up his equilibrium till the end against Naeyaert he would have surely carried the day and India would have remained on level terms. In fact therein lay the centre of our hope. It was however dashed to the ground. On the second day Savur played a splendid game in doubles. With his able assistance, Ghaus Mahomed succeeded in overwhelming the Belgian pair, Geehland and Vandeneynde, in a four-set battle. It was undoubtedly a magnificent victory which raised the morale of the Indian team considerably.

LESSON FROM THE CONTEST.

Then Ghaus Mahomed went on to conquer Naeyaert in three straight sets on the final day. If Savur was not bothered by the strong wind that was blowing he might have accounted for La Croix and turned the scale in India's favour. However, that was not to be. La Croix is too good an experienced a player to allow the lackadaisical Indian player to get on top. The result may be somewhat disappointing to India but the performances of her representatives were encouraging on the whole. It is likely that with an experienced player like Sawhney in the fighting line, India's chances might have been brighter. But, unfortunately, he cried off at the last moment on a very flimsy ground. One thing is very clear from the result and that is that our players must have more experience abroad to attain the highest peak of tennis glory.

FOLLOW BENGAL'S EXAMPLE.

I hope the experience and training which Ghaus Mahomed and his comrades will gain during the intervening period will enable them to put up a sturdier fight at Wimbledon next month. Dilip Bose has now joined the quartette who preceded him. Although he will be of little help to the team this year, it is expected that the training he will have during the present trip will stand him in good stead next year when another official team will be sent for the Davis Cup. The wisdom of this step has been questioned in certain quarters, particularly on financial grounds. I do not see any reason why a promising player should not be sent to Europe for gaining experience, if his provincial association could foot the bill. Everybody sympathises with Bobbjee for the cold shoulders shown to him by the All-India Selectors. But nothing prevented the Madras L.T.A from sending him ahead on their own account. If all the provincial associations take as much interest in their rising stars as the Bengal L.T.A. did in the case of Bose India will surely raise a galaxy of stars to challenge the world at no distant date.

SPECTATORS' REPREHENSIBLE CONDUCT.

On many a previous occasion I have dwelt on the lack of discipline on the part of our players and spectators. Only a few days back the W.I.F.A. had to suspend two players of the Rovers Club for indiscipline. It was soon followed by a report from Poona that the famous Nimal brothers had been suspended by the local Hockey Association for disobeying the Umpires. Now comes a strange story from Cawnpore where the spectators took the law into their own hands in removing the Official referee from the field of play after the game had been in progress for some time and replacing him by one of their own choice. This was against all rules of the game and its sporting code. If spectators are allowed to interfere with the game in this foolish manner then good-bye to sport altogether. The controlling body concerned should take drastic action against the referee who agreed to displace the officially appointed incumbent. It must be dinned into the cars of every body that players must obey the whistle on the field, whether the decisions are right or wrong, and spectators have no business to interfere with the progress of the game. Only when we have learnt to obey the laws of the game we shall be able to master it.

Madras—I Programme

211 metres (1,420 kc/s)
5-0 p.m. Rachapudi Seethapathi Rao: Vocal 5-45 Carnatic Orchestra 6-0 Shrimati Marakatham & Rajam: Vocal 6-45 Kandanur Bangaru Iyer: Vocal 7-15 Talkies: (Tamil) by G. K. Seshagiri 7-30 Valady Krishna Iyer Vocal 8-10 Carnatic Orchestra 8-20 Valady Krishna Iyer Vocal 8-55 Presenting Madras, by S. V. Venkataswara 9-10 Record 9-35 Bell Maker 9-50 P. Venkatachalam Violin.

Madras—II

60.98 metres (4,920 kc/s)
5-0 Shrimati M. Devaki Ammal Vocal 6-0 to 10-5 As In Madras 1 10-5 Selections from Porgy and Bess 10-17 Dance Music.

B. B. C. Programme

7-20 Derby 7-40 B B C Empire Orchestra 8-30 History of Jews,6 8-45 Dance Music 9-30 News 9-45 World Affairs by H. Wickham Steed. 10-0 Aunt Jeannie (Part 1) 10-25 Sports News & Market Notes.

Panchgani Parsi High School

(From A Correspondent)

TWhe annual athletic sports and prize distribution of the Parsi High School, of Panchgani was held on May 21, under the presidentship of Sirdar Phiroze Hoshang Dastur. The school was "At Home" on the occasion and the school band was in attendance. The gathering was attended by guests representing all communities. The various items, particularly the feats on the trapeze and the spring board were watched with great interest. At the conclusion of the programme, the joint principal read out the report of the school for the year.

After distributing the prizes president thanked Mr. Billimoria for his invitation and said that he had thoroughly enjoyed his short visit to the school and appreciated every item of the programme except the very last which imposed upon him the task of delivering an address. Continuing he stated that he was pleased with the substantial and progressive work the school had shown during the period of thirty one years. From a meagre number of twelve they had increased to 119 which was a good achievement for a boarding school and they had come to possess the facilities of an excellent and commodious building with every possible equipment for an up-to-date school.

Addressing the boys of the school he praised them for the display they had offered him that evening adding that it was the best of its kind he had seen.

KING EMPEROR'S ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS FUND

A total amount of Rs. 79,54,700-1-7 had been subscribed in response to His Excellency's Appeal for the King Emperor's Anti-Tuberculosis Fund by all Provinces, States and Administrations up to April 30, 1939.

Poor Football

Points Shared In Harwood League

There was nothing to enthuse over on Tuesday evening, when the Bombay Gymkhana and South Kanara Sports Association shared two goals in their fixture in the Harwood League, senior section. Incidentally, both teams picked up their first point each, having lost their opening matches.

In the early period, which was very dull, there was no score. In the latter half there was some improvement, but things never rose very high. South Kanara took the lead through Deju, Tudge drawing level not long after. Efforts for the deciding goal were put in to no avail.

THE GAME

A corner to the Gymkhana and one at the other end were the opening features of the game. Neither award bore fruit. A lot of uninteresting mid-field play followed, which lacked sparkle and thought. A couple of nice bits of combination make South Kanara appear dangerous—they lacked shooting power. Efforts by the Gymkhana were not a wit more brilliant. A corner just before half time saw Preston put in a nice shot, a little too wide. At the interval neither team had scored.

Resuming, South Kanara went across to their opponent's area Green in the Gymkhana goal fielded a nice shot and cleared. South Kanara came back and after a little worrying of the Gymkhana's defence, Deju, the inside left, beat Green with a beautiful shot. The Gymkhana woke up after this and raided the opposite area. Karakera robbed Tudge of an opportunity of scoring by snatching the ball away just as he was to shoot. Tudge, however, was compensated in the next minute, a fine long shot of his defeating Karkera. South Kanara attacked and the Gymkhana did so in turn. These conditions prevailed for a spell, during which time Schultz for the Gymkhana and Karkera for the other side earned applause. A mistake by Collins gave South Kanara a corner, Kookra put the ball out of play. A corner at the other end was similarly wasted. Prabhakar was grieved to see a sitter coming his way bear no fruit. He bettered all opposition, and with Green rushing out wrongly, he had only to shoot. He sent in a good ground shot which hit the upright. The attempt to score of the rebounded only resulted in a corner to no purpose.

After South Kanara had spent some time in the Gykhana area, Preston was responsible for a clever solo effort, a hot ground shoot that followed however, was correctly saved by Karkera. South Kanara again asserted themselves to get full points and well nigh succeeded. A little steading shooting was all that was required. It was the Gymkhana's turn next and Brewer tested the safe Karkera to no end. All struggling proved in vain and the sides shared the two points put up.

Result:

BOMBAY GYMKHANA 1 goal
SOUTH KANARA 1 goal

TEAMS:

BOMBAY GYMKHANA: Green, Collins and Schultz, Morrey, Preston and Marsden; Tudge, Brewer, A. Williams, Reid and Love.

SOUTH KANARA: Karkera, Suvarna and Anchan; Narayen, Salian and Kanchan, Aniru, Pushparaj, Prabhakar, Deju and Kookra.

To-day's Game

B.E.S.T. v. Caltex, 6 p.m. Cooperage.

W.I.A.A. RALLY ON JUNE 11

Sanction having been received from the Government of Bombay the W.I.A.A Rally and Reliability Trial will be held in Poona on Sunday, June 11th. Rules and regulations will be found in the May issue of "Motoring in India", which is now out, and further details may be obtained from the W.I.A.A. Publicity Department at 12 Wodehouse Road up to and including Friday May 26th and from Monday May 29th at the W.I.A.A.'s permanent headquarters in the Indian Merchants' Chamber building, first floor, next to Churchgate station. All competitors and those who have signified the probability of their competing will receive full details by post during this week.

Simla.—It is understood that the decision of the Central Government in regard to exodus will be announced for publication on May 25.

MIDDLE-WEIGHT BOXING

Jock McAvoy Beats Ginger Sadd And Retains Title

LONDON, May 22.

Jock McAvoy, of Rochdale, retained the British Middle-weight title which he held for 6 years by out-pointing Ginger Sadd, of Norwich, over 15-rounds, at Bellevue Arena.

McAvoy, who will shortly meet Len Harvey for the World Cruiser-weight Championship, weighed 11 st. 5 lb. compared with Sadd's 11 st. 4 lb.

McAvoy opened with terrific speed aiming lefts and rights in an effort to obtain a quick victory. Sadd, however, stood up in traditional English fashion shooting out beautiful lefts on McAvoy's face. Sadd throughout displayed impregnable defence and withstood all McAvoy's attacks.

The holder staged a rounding last round all out for victory but Sadd countered cleverly.—Reuter.

MCAVOY-HARVEY FIGHT ON JUNE 22

LONDON, May 23.

Mcavoy Harvey fight, which will be recognised by the British Boxing Board as a world titler will be definitely held on June 22.—Reuter.

Sports Jottings

BY

Observer

THE DERBY

On Derby morning my jottings would be incomplete if I did not refer to the great race that will interest the world throughout the day, at least till the result is flashed to all quarters.

From all the data of form and opinions from people close to Epsom, I cannot but picture Lord Rosebery's colt, Blue Peter, passing the post first, with Sir John Jarvis' Admiral's Walk and Lord Derby's Heliopolis struggling behind. The latest message from London from racing sources says that Blue Peter put in a rousing gallop with his stable companion and challenger, Admiral's Walk, as company. Both horses are out to do their utmost in the Blue Riband, inasmuch as they belong to different owners, but the main hopes of the stable rest with Blue Peter.

RACING-DOPE

The following announcement appears in the latest issue of the Royal Calcutta Turf Club's Racing Calendar.

The Stewards of the Royal Calcutta Turf Club, having had it proved to their satisfaction that a drug was administered to Pomposity prior to his race in the March Plate—Div. 1, on March 4, 1939, have disqualified the horse for this race and for all future races. It is further announced that the trainer's licence granted to Mr. A. Owen has been withdrawn.

HOCKEY

Afghanistan is to participate in the World's Hockey Championship at Amsterdam next year. Shahzada Mohammed Asif Jan has been appointed captain of the Afghan team. Incidentally Asif is the youngest player to captain an international team. At present he is at College in Lahore, and the last time I saw Asif in action he created an impression, he puts dash and brains into his hockey. Asif's father, Shahzada Mohammed Yusuf Khan is the well-known Indian and Afghanistan player. He played for India in 1926 and led the Afghan side in 1936.

The Afghan team when last seen in India was quite a useful side, I believe since then, the team has received new blood, young men, who have gone in for hockey while studying in India. This is sure to bring the team forward.

FOOTBALL

Wagstaffe Simmons writes interestingly in SPORTING LIFE as regards the Conscription Act and football. He says:

"Some of the English League clubs will scarcely be affected by the call-up under the 20-21 age limit, but others will be hard hit. Tottenham Hotspur, for instance, have ten players liable for military duty.

I believe I am right in stating that a large proportion of the players on the Spur's books were enrolled for some form of National service, but of course, they will have to go.

It will be a big blow to them, as they are on the threshold of their career as professional players, but the needs of the country transcend all private considerations.

I strongly deprecate players who will be called up being interviewed, and their views published widely with an emphasis on the financial loss it will mean to them.

The country has to be defended in case of war and football players, as well as every other section of the community, should esteem it a privilege to fit themselves to take their part in the defence of their native soil and of the freedom that is attached to it.

A country not worth fighting for is not worth living in, and I am expressing the views of the overwhelming mass of sportsmen in asserting that there is no good ground for football players to be given preferential treatment."

CRICKET

The latest Indian names to find place in English cricket reports are M. K. B. Singh, S. M. Naziruddin and "K. S. Gaekwar."

M. K. B. Singh, is a name which disguises the personality of the present Maharaja of Patiala's younger brother, Maharaj Kumar Bhupendra Singh, now in his second year at Cambridge. He was completely out of luck, however, in the Senior Trials at the Cambridge University, when he was out to a l.b.w. decision before he could open his score. The Maharaj Kumar, however, created a good impression with his slow spin bowling and took 4 wickets at small cost, with the result he was selected to play for Cambridge University in their first match of the season, against Northamptonshire.

Turning out in that match, for Northamtonshire, was S. M. Naziruddin, who went to England from Kathiawar last summer and helped the country in several of their matches. He is now up at Cambridge, and figured in the Freshmen's Trial, in which he scored 44 not out and gave a display of stylish and enterprising batsmanship. Opposed to him is "K. S. Gaekwar," who in reality is Prince Khandev Rao Sinhji, the present Maharaja of Baroda's nephew, a medium-fast bowler of promising capacity.

BILLIARDS

It will be interesting news to billiard fans that the Empire Billiard Championship, will be held in India in 1940.

I have just been informed that in the official matches which the Billiards Association of India has arranged for Kennerley, the Amateur Billiards Champion of Great Britain, his opponents will be selected from the following: P. K. Deb, the present Amateur Champion of India, M. M. Begg, who represented India during the Empire Championship last year in Australia, S. H. Lyth, H. D. Bhadra and J. Buchanan.

TENNIS

Sir F. Gordon Lowe, Bt., the well-known tennis critic, makes the following comment on the showing of the Indian Davis Cup players in the Hard Courts Championships at Bournemouth.

Considering it was their first tournament this season, two members of the Indian Davis Cup team, Ghaus Mahomed and Y. R. Savur did not do so badly. It was extremely cold and damp at Bournemouth and the Indian players must have longed for the sun and the fast summer of the coast in India.

Ghaus Mahomed did well to beat R. J. Ritchie, 6-3, 7-5, 7-5 and then went down with his colours flying to Kho Sin Kie, 2-6, 11-13, 1-6. Mahomed actually had 3-7 and 40-love on his powerful service, but missed the golden opportunity of deciding this set. After this, he could never banish this lost opportunity from his mind.

Needing a faster surface for his vigorous game, Savur went down first round to the Scotsman, MacPhail, 6-0, 6-1, 6-4.

In the doubles, the New Zealanders, Coombe and Malfroy beat Mahomed and Savur, 6-1, 6-4 8-6. The Indians will do better when the weather improves.

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Lowtide: 9-45; 21-27
Sunrise: 6h. 2m.
Sunset: 7h. 9m.

Municipal Schools Committee 5-10 p.m.

Saturday, May 27.

S.S. "Carthage" with mails for London sails at 1 p.m.

NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY

According to a telegraphic advice received from the Head Office at Amsterdam, the Netherlands Trading Society have declared a dividend of 5 1/2 per cent, for the year ended 31st December 1938.

ANDHERI CLUB

Friends of Mr. Thakorbhai C. Tinakore will meet to-day (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Andheri Club, Mazbanabad, Andheri to wish him 'bon voyage' to Japan.

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AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

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REGAL—"The Ware Case". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Bari-Didi". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Duniya-Na-Mane". Daily at 4-45, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Mother India". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"The Only Way". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"Savitri". Daily at 4-45, 7-30 and 10-15 p.m.
WEST END—"The Kick" Time as usual
NEW EMPIRE—"The Saint Strikes Back" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Baji Deshpande". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Dushman". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Sitara". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
PLAZA—"Daughter of Marathas". Time as usual.
KOHINOOR—"Devata". Time as usual.
METRO—"Idiot's Delight" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"A Bottle of Brandy". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
EROS—"There's That Woman Again". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

BEST APPRENTICES LECTURE

Mr. C. V. Patel of Messrs. Ingersoll-Rand (India) Ltd., will give a talk on "Pneumatic Drills" illustrated with slides to-day (Wednesday), at 5-45 p.m. in the Conference Hall of Electric House, Bombay. The lecture is open to engineers.

POSTAL NOTICE

The Grant Road Post Office will be shifted from the present building to the new premises belonging to the Eastern Construction Company and situated on plot No. 5 Sleater Road, Bombay, on Sunday the 28th May 1939. It will transact business in the new premises from Monday the 29th May 1939.

Superscribed unregistered correspondence for Italy per s.s. "Conte Rosso" will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 10-30 a.m. on Thursday the 25th instant.

PARTY TO MR. NIMBKAR

The Bombay Provincial Trade Union Congress will give a tea party to Messrs. R. S. Nimbkar and Aftab Ali, delegate and adviser respectively to the International League Conference to-day (Wednesday), at 6 p.m. at the Servants of India Society's Home Sandhurst Road.

SEND OFF TO DR. SCHAEFER

Dr. K. Schaefer, the Scientific Representative of Hoffmann-La Roche and Co. Ltd., Co. Basle Switzerland, sailed on Saturday last, with Mrs. Schaefer, on home leave by S. S. "Narkunda". A hearty send off was accorded to both of them by his friends in India.

KHADI BHANDAR

A.I.S.A. Khadi Bhandar, 396, Kalbadevi Road will remain closed on Friday May 26, on account of stock takings.

"A.I.S.A. Khadi Bhandar Branch No. 1, Azad Bhavan, Musjid Bunder Road, Mandvi will remain closed on Thursday the 25th inst. on account of stock takings."

RANI OF JHANSI DAY

A public meeting will be held to-day (Wednesday), at 6-30 at the Young Men's Hindu Association Phadkewadi Girgaon Back Road under Yuvak Sanmitra Mandal to celebrate Rani Laxmibai of Jhansi Punyatithi under the presidentship of Mrs. Hansa Mehta M.L.A. when prominent persons will speak on her life and will announce the aims of Vidya Mandir which is going to be opened shortly.

THANA'S LOSS

Tribhuwandas Jamnadas Dead

(From Our Correspondent.)
THANA, May 23.

Thana lost on Friday last, a prominent citizen, one of the leaders of the Lohana community, a man of broad nationalistic sympathies and a philanthroper in the death of Mr. Tribhuwandas Jamnadas, at the ripe old age of 75. The deceased was an ex-Municipal Councillor and was held in high esteem both by the Government as well as the public. For several years past he worked as an Honorary Magistrate and the Congress Government had also appointed him as such.

The news of his death evoked a spontaneous hartal. The Thana citizens met on Sunday and passed a condolence resolution. The Thana Municipality as well as the local Brahmin Sabha expressed their sense of deep sorrow.

"Political Prisoners Day"

Thana observed the Political Prisoners Day last Sunday. A public meeting under the auspices of the town congress committee was held with Mr. R. L. Rede in the chair and a resolution demanding immediate release of the Political Prisoners and showing sympathy with their sad lot was passed. Mr. S. A. Tendulkar moved the resolution with a short speech. Mr. Tamhane of the Town Congress Committee seconded.

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF JOURNALISTS

Javdekar Explains His Ideas At A Reception

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Representatives of Marathi, Gujarati and English journals of the Congress pursuasion in Bombay were present at a reception given to Prof. S. D. Javdekar on Monday afternoon by the Editor and Staff of the "Lokamanya".

Mr. Shantilal Shah, M.L.C., of the Directorate of the Indian States Journals Ltd., which conducts the 'Janmabhumi' and 'Lokamanya' introduced Prof. Javdekar. While doing so, Mr. Shah said that he met Prof. Javdekar in jail during the Satyagraha movement. "Before I went to jail, I held that the socialist or communist creed was something monstrous, but when I was released from jail, I came out with the conviction that socialism was the only solvent of humanity's various woes. I shall only content myself with saying that Prof. Javdekar alone is responsible for this transformation in my views".

Prof. Javdekar said he would like to say a few words as to the duties of responsible journalists working in the present conditions. He said about one thing every body should be clear viz., that India was immediately concerned with bringing about national revolution by attaining complete political independence, meaning thereby power to regulate, order and control the socio-economic life of the Indian people and take up the responsibility of defence of its land, water and air frontiers.

Another thing that they had to be clear about was that India could reach this stage under Gandhiji's leadership only. They had, therefore, to adjust and apply their knowledge, information, ingenuity and experience in support of this position. This was a most practical understanding of the present position which journalists of the patriotic and missionary variety had to bear in mind.

In reply to some questions, Prof. Javdekar said that this position did not preclude journalists from taking a critical attitude towards the Congress leadership, programme and the Cabinets. Only it must be informed with a helpful and constructive spirit.

After the guests were entertained to light refreshments, the gathering dispersed.

TAX ON URBAN PROPERTY

Notices On Evaders

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A dozen important banks and landowners in the city, it is understood, have been informed by the Municipal Commissioner that failing payment of tax under the Urban Immovable Property Taxation Act, the Municipality will be compelled to take such coercive measures as would be authorised by law. It may be stated that these notices have been sent following the recent communiques of the Government.

KALYAN TO HAVE KEROSENE LAMPS AGAIN

Dispute With Electric Company

(From Our Correspondent.)
KALYAN, May 23.

A recent resolution, of the Kalyan City Municipality, says, that kerosene oil lamps will be again introduced, in the town, the negotiations between the Municipality and the Electric Supply Company having fallen through. It will be remembered, in this connection that the Municipality had entered into a contract with Electric Supply Company and further that, that contract terminated in the year 1939. The rate payers, then, demanded a reduction, in the rates. After some negotiations, the rate was fixed at annas 3 per unit. But the collector, discovering some technical irregularity, in the resolution turned it down. The majority party, in the present body, is the Democratic Swarajya Party (locally known as the Shahar Sudharana Mandal). This party offered the rate of annas 2 per unit and the Electric Supply Company could not see its way to accept it. According to the company, this rate is impossible; besides, the rate, first agreed upon was annas 3 per unit: So from the 1st June Kalyan will have kerosene lamps again. This news has caused great disquietitude. It is hoped that some new avenue of conciliation, will be explored and everything end amicably and to general satisfaction.

The weather has been dreadful, of late. The sky is often overclouded, doing much damage to the mango crop. An early monsoon is expected.

"SHANKER" RETURNS TO INDIA

"Shanker", the well-known political cartoonist of "The Hindustan Times" returned to India on Monday after over a year's stay in Europe.

During this period Mr. Shanker was mostly in London where he attended various Art Colleges and academies to further improve the technique of his cartoons. He also availed of this opportunity to get instruction from the leading English cartoonists and had ample chance to study their methods of work.

'Shanker' the well-known Cartoonist returned to India on Monday after his European tour.

He also toured the continent visiting France, Switzerland, Germany and Italy. In Geneva, last year he was present during the session of the League of Nation's Assembly and sketched several prominent world personalities including M. Litvinoff.

SEND-OFF TO NIMBKAR

Apex Assurance Company's Tribute To Indian Workers' Delegate

A hearty send-off was accorded to Mr. R. S. Nimbkar, on the eve of his departure to Geneva, as the Workers' Delegate, to the 25th International Labour Conference, at a tea party given in his honour on Tuesday evening, by the chairman and the Directors of the Apex Assurance Ltd.

Among those who attended the function were Mr. K. F. Nariman, Mr. N. M. Joshi, Mr. Joglekar and Mrs. Nimbkar.

Mr. L. G. Pradhan, chairman of the Apex Assurance Ltd., congratulated Mr. Nimbkar for having been elected to represent Indian workers at the Geneva International Labour Conference. Mr. Nimbkar, he said, always showed great enthusiasm and deep feeling in the cause of labour. He was a doughty fighter for the workers' rights.

It was well-known that Mr. Nimbkar had a leaning towards the extreme section of the Labour movement. He always fought for certain principles

It was a happy augury for the future of the trade union movement in India that unity had been established between the two parties recently.

The speaker was sure that Mr. Nimbkar would ably represent the cause of the workers at Geneva and give a good account of himself.

NIMBKAR'S THANKS.

Mr. Nimbkar thanked the management of the Apex Assurance Ltd. for the kind reception given to him.

He said that he was going on a mission which was important in many respects. Hitherto, the International Labour Conference had been boycotted by him and his colleagues. For years Mr. N. M. Joshi, participated in the Conference as a representative of only a section of the working class. Mr. Nimbkar claimed himself to be the first representative of the radical element to go to Geneva. He would try his best to prove worthy of the confidence reposed in him

His aim was to get first hand knowledge of the working class movement abroad, so as to be of greater help to the cause of the working class in India.

He had no personal interest in the Apex Assurance Ltd. The promoters of the company consulted him with regard to a scheme for opening a number of stores for workers in order to supply them with provisions of the best quality at the cheapest possible price. He considered the scheme as best in the interest of the worker, who was being exploited by every section of the capitalist society. He wished the company success in the scheme.

KARACHI.— In pursuance of their campaign for the liquidation of illiteracy, the Sind Government have sold 10,000 flags with the last few days, bringing them a revenue of Rs. 5,000. The amount will be utilised in the literacy work.

DEMAND OF SPECIAL PRIVILEGES

Parsi Panchayat Considers Position After Waiting On Premier

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The details of the discussion which the Parsi deputation had with the Hon. the Prime Minister when they waited on him on May 15 in connection with the Government's prohibition policy, were placed before the Parsi Prohibition Protest Committee this evening. The Committee composed of 42 members met for over an hour in the Parsi Panchayat Office. Mr M. P. Khareghat presided.

POLICY FOR FUTURE

The Committee which met in camera, could not consider the question as to what steps should be taken by the Parsi Community for the future in view of prohibition, as the Government has not given any reply to their memorial as yet. The future course of action of the community will entirely depend on the nature of the Government's reply regarding the important issues raised in the memorial particularly loss of trade and problem of the Parsis resulting from the policy of prohibition.

PRIVILEGES FOR PARSIS

The Parsi deputationists who waited on the Premier, it is understood, had been assured on behalf of the Government that permits would be granted for the use of liquor and wine needed for religious and medicinal purposes. The other important point raised by the deputationists was in connection with exemption for the Parsi Community from the operation of the prohibition rules. The Premier, it is understood, assured the deputationists that the matter would receive the attention of the Government. The Ministry's view on this matter will, it is expected be incorporated in their reply to the Parsi Panchayat's memorial. The deputationists seem to have also asked as to what relief measures would be undertaken by the Government if prohibition were to be introduced in spite of the community's representation. The Government's proposals in connection with this also will be known when they send their reply to the memorial.

The Parsi Prohibition Protest Committee will probably meet on the very day the Government's reply is received and consider the most vital question namely, the future course of action.

In the meantime the Parsi Panchayat is collecting statistics regarding Parsi families in the city and suburbs which will be affected by prohibition without sufficient means of livelihood.

CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST COTTON EXCHANGE DIRECTORS

Charges were framed against seven directors and members of Indian Cotton Exchange under Sec. 4 (a) of the Gaming Act and 109 of I. P. C. The charges were explained to the accused. All the accused pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Balubhai Desai wanted time to consider whether they should go to the High Court. The further hearing of the case is fixed for May 24.

FAREWELL FUNCTIONS IN HONOUR OF NIMBKAR

Good Wishes Of N. M. Joshi And Others

BOMBAY, Tuesday

Mr. R. S. Nimbkar, a well-known Trade Unionist of Bombay was the guest at three farewell functions today held on the eve of his departure to Geneva on Thursday. Tomorrow he will be entertained by the Bombay Provincial Trade Union Conference executive at the Servants of India Society's Hall.

Dr. V. B. Gandhi presided over the gathering at the hall of the Deccan Merchant's Urban Bank, which was called by Mr. S. R. Sardesai, a very old friend of Mr. Nimbkar's. It was a mixed gathering of merchants, bankers labour leaders and Congressmen.

Among those who spoke to wish 'bon voyage' and success to Mr. Nimbker were Messrs. S. R. Sardesai, N. M. Joshi, B. V. Varerkar T.V. Parwate and Dr. V.B. Gandhi. Dr. Gandhi observed that one of the good things that came in the wake of the last armistice and the League of Nation's organisations was the International Labour Conference at which several distinguished sons of India like Messrs. N. M. Josni, Dewan Chamanlal, Jamnadas Mehta and others had made their mark. He felt certain that Mr. Nimbkar could also make his special mark.

Mr. Nimbkar was also entertained at the Agri Seva Sangh.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN)

Aren't the suburbs getting congested? Houses are cropping up all over the area almost overnight, especially in the Khar and Santa Cruz District.

In another few years, the Greater Bombay scheme, it is hoped, will be realised. With the Greater Bombay Scheme, the Suburbanites will expect increased amenities. The most important of these is the need of more playground and parks.

At present nearly every area has vacant land which could easily be converted into recreation grounds. Our Suburban Municipalities would therefore do well to secure these lands and keep them when the need for more playgrounds is pressing.

While on the subject of parks and playgrounds my attention is drawn to the letter of a correspondent who complains on the deplorable condition of the already existing ones.

The municipalities might move into the matter.

OBSTRUCTIONS ON ROADS

Going down Lands End or Bandra Point last Sunday, I could not help but observe the several obstructions on the roadway which was crowded not only by pedestrian but by heavy traffic. The obstruction was the several shops selling eatables. The wayside tradesmen attract quite a number of boys who crowd not minding the traffic. Such a state of affairs is dangerous and the Bandra Police might move into the matter.

SCARCITY OF WATER

With Old Man Monsoon yet pretty far away nearly every village after Andheri is now experiencing a scarcity in water supply. Most of the wells are now completely dry while others are polluted.

The using of this water has now in some place attacked the people with ring-worm disease.

The attention of the Suburban authorities is therefore drawn to this fact and it is hoped that the using of water at brinks of wells be stopped and some arrangement be made for pure water supply.

WOMAN COMMITS SUICIDE

Unable To Bear Husband's And Son's Unemployment

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Faced it is said with misery and starvation, held out by the prospect of total prohibition, a Parsi woman (53) in a fit of depression, threw herself from a window on the third floor of her brother's residence and met with a tragic end.

It appears that Alamai Dosabhai Sarkari, residing at Balaram Street was considerably worried over her husband, who has been recently discharged as manager of a toddy shop, in view of the prohibition policy. She felt more miserable because her son who is employed as a manager of another toddy shop at Khetwadi, has received a notice of discharge.

Mr. Nadarsha Pestonji, brother of the deceased corroborated the story and said that his sister went to her relatives begging of them to relieve her family from the plight which they had to face but she did not receive any favourable response.

Yesterday she went to the witness's house in a very depressed state of mind and began to tell him of the starvation, which she, her husband and son would soon have to face. Witness tried his best to console her but she remained in a very sad condition.

She again went to his house at 10 p.m. and began to repeat her sad tale again. He tried to console her but she would not be comforted. This went on till past midnight. Witness told her that he had to face the same difficulty but God would take care of them all.

This morning at 5 a.m. neighbours from the opposite house raised a cry that a woman had fallen down. Witness got up and looked out of the window and saw his sister lying dead in the open space below.

The Coroner's jury returned a verdict of death caused by fracture of skulls. The deceased, whose husband was the manager of a toddy shop having been discharged and her only son who is the manager of another toddy shop is to be discharged from the 1st of August, not knowing how her husband would be able to maintain her and how her son who is himself a family man would be able to maintain his family, threw herself down from a window on the 3rd floor of Contractor Building, at Kashinath Road, where she had gone to her brother to tell him of her sorrowful plight."

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REFORMS IN MYSORE

The recommendations of the Mysore Reforms Committee are being anxiously awaited by the whole country as they are sure to have their repercussions on other States, large or small. The Committee is understood to have formulated its more or less final proposals and to be busy writing its report to be submitted to the Government in about a month. But a forecast of the recommendations has appeared in several papers and as the different versions substantially agree with one anothner they may be presumed to agree likewise with the actual proposals of the Committee. We feel it necessary to say a few words about the proposals before it is too late to mend them because they call for considerable mending. So far as the goal of Reforms is concerned, the Committee has done well to define it definitely as "the establishment of a system of Responsible Government in Mysore under the authority and protection of His Highness the Maharaja." And the Committee rightly insists that this goal should be unequivocably accepted by the Government and "specifically mentioned" in the new constitution. If this fundamental demand of the Committee, which is also the demand of the State people, is not unreservedly accepted by the Government there can be no peace in the State.

Disappointing

As regards the immediate advance towards the goal, the Committee's reported proposals are extremely disappointing and do not even guarantee the attainment of the goal in any specified number of years. It is true that they provide for the extension of the franchise, an increase in the size of both Houses of Legislature and a reduction in the number of nominated members. But the powers of the Legislature are but slightly increased and it has utterly inadequate control over the Executive. The Executive of the Government will be carried on, according to the new proposals, by a Dewan and a cabinet of not less than four Ministers to be appointed by the Ruler. Not less than two of the Ministers are to be non-officials selected at the pleasure of the Ruler from among the elected members of the Representative Assembly or the Legislative Council, one at least from each body, the rest being appointed at the pleasure of His Highness from among the officials or non-officials, whether members of the Assembly or Council or otherwise. While the term of office of the non-official Ministers will be co-terminous with that of the Houses, the official Ministers will hold office during the pleasure of His Highness. The most disappointing feature of the Executive is that no provision is made for the passing of a vote of no-confidence against individual Ministers or against the Ministry in general. In the absence of such a provision, the Legislature's control over even the non-official Ministers is illusory. And the whole system, which has all the well-known defects of dyarchy is hardly a real approach towards complete responsibility.

Wanted Radical Improvement

Unless the reported proposals are radically improved they will not be acceptable to the State Congress or any large section of the State people. The people are no strangers to the working of self-governing institutions. They are about as well trained in it as the people of any province in India. The least they expect immediately is the measure of responsible government that now obtains in the provinces, with a guarantee that full Responsible Government will be inaugurated in a reasonably short period. The people in other States look up to Mysore to give a good lead in this direction. They will be bitterly disappointed if that lead is not given, the disappointment in Mysore itself being necessarily most keen. Even if the Committee's final recommendations turn out to be as disappointing as they are reported to be, the Government will be well advised to go a great deal farther to placate the people. The State Congress should be ready to take suitable action if the people's opinion is flouted by the Government.

Britain Explains!

Mr. MacDonald's speech in the House of Commons is valuable, like the Palestine White Paper, which he was defending, in that it amounts to a confession, made officially for the first time, that Britain duped both Arabs and Jews because she wanted the support of both during the last war. It also confirms our earlier interpretation of the essential meaning and purpose of the White Paper. Forced by circumstances in Palestine and elsewhere, the British Government have discovered—after years of actual struggle with the Arabs—that the inhabitants of the country have a case and are pretending to make a moral virtue of necessity. But what do they seek to do through the White Paper? They concede verbally some of the Arab rights and deny even those in practice. They deny theoretically the Zionist demands and concede actually a very substantial part of them. And above all, they help themselves to their own British lion's share of the political, commercial and strategical resources of Palestine which, dishonest verbiage of the White Paper notwithstanding, is to be reduced, in all but name, to the status of a British colony. They first create a strong minority, very considerably stronger than the numerical proportion represents. Then they profess "to begin work now towards a self-governing institution in Palestine." The minority is bound to make it virtually impossible, but to make assurance doubly sure they ban, while the blatantly hypocritical work is in progress through the subservient assistance of British agents among Arabs, the nation itself—we repeat that the Grand Mufti is the embodiment of his nation.

But this is not the end of the chapter of denials. The final act of robbery which the White Paper provides for comes later. As Mr. Abdur Rahman Siddiqi points out in his statement, "the Mandatory Power is not ashamed of talking of commercial and strategic interests, which, under the articles of the Covenant of the League, credulous nations were assured, it had, along with other nations, solemnly renounced." Mr. MacDonald, who paid pretentious tribute to morality, emphasised the point further by declaring: "Britain would need to be satisfied that in a treaty with Palestine there was provision for maintaining military and air forces sufficient to secure British interests." What the alleged "self-governing institution" will mean, in terms of all this to the Arabs, is clear to those who have experienced the technique and working of British Imperialism. The White Paper, therefore, is designed to reduce the Arabs, in actual fact, to servants of Jews and slaves of Great Britain. It has, we are glad to note, deceived none and has been promptly rejected by the Arab States. But what amazes us is the utter impudence with which a British spokesman "paid a tribute to the statesmanlike attitude of the Arab States' representatives at the London Conference. He was sure that statesmanlike qualities would assist us in the difficulties ahead." Britain insulted them by rejecting their statesmanlike advice. And now she is inviting them, for, that is what it means, not only to pocket the insult but also to go further and treacherously betray the Arabs.

Special News

From London

(By Our London Correspondent)

American gossip says that Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Colonial Secretary, and Miss Dorothy Dickson, the actress, five years senior, are shortly to marry.

Mr. MacDonald is the youngest man in the British Cabinet and, with Mr. Hore-Belisha, the most marriageable. He denies the rumour and Miss Dickson refuses to comment.

Her secretary, however, is more forthright: "It's false. Miss Dickson hardly knows Mr. MacDonald.

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On his return from America His Majesty the King will visit Belgium. There he will meet Prince Umberto, heir to the throne of Italy.

Their conversations may have important consequences for the future of Anglo-Italian relations and for the Rome-Berlin Axis.

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The House of Commons is laying odds that if a firm military alliance with the Soviet Union is signed by Britain, Mr. Chamberlain's Industrial Adviser, Sir Horace Wilson, will retire from the post.

Sir Horace, with Sir John Simon and Sir Samuel Hoare, is leading the opposition to a pact with the "Bolsheviks."

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Madame Litvinoff, who is an Englishwoman by birth, is likely to return to England to live now that her husband is no longer Foreign Commissar.

M. Litvinoff may be appointed as Ambassador to the Court of St. James's. The British Government has already informed Kremlin that he would be very acceptable.

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The Octavian Society founded in London in December 1936 to rally the sympathisers of the Duke of Windsor has launched a big new campaign.

The Duke's peace broadcast recently to the United States has inspired the new drive and the Society held a long meeting immediately after the broadcast speech. They claim a membership of over 5,000.

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Instructions have gone to the British Embassy at Washington to report on the speeches of Mr. Sean T. O'Kelly, Deputy Prime Minister of Eire, now in America to open the Irish Pavilion at the World's Fair and to attend the Irish Race Convention.

As the Convention is designed to rally Irish-Americans to the support of the anti-partition campaign, official London fears embarrassments from Mr. O'Kelly during the Royal visit. He is not Eire's most reticent politician. After the Anglo-Irish Pact last year he said: "We have whipped John Bull and we will whip him again."

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Britain needs mercury. It is an essential for shells, mines, bombs. Franco holds the mines which produce half the world's supply of mercury. He may stop Britain's supplies.

It would be a serious blow to Britain's defence plans as Italy is the other chief mercury producer, controlling with Spain 65 per cent of the world's output.

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The Special Branch of Scotland Yard is closely watching all German Consuls and Vice-Consuls in Britain. Several are known to be clearing-agents for printed Nazi propaganda brought into British ports by German seamen.

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Thousands of refugees in Britain are appealing to the British War Office to form a British Foreign Legion in which they can fight for Britain in the event of war.

In the past few weeks more than 5,000 of these refugees have tried to join the British Army, but because they are of alien birth they are not eligible.

The British Government has informed one Liberal M. P. that it is considering an offer from a group of former Czech reserve officers to place their services at the disposal of the authorities.

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Miriam Verne, American dancer in the "Merry Widow," whom Hitler has seen eight times in three weeks, has been offered £6,000 by an American publisher for her life story.

Title suggested is "I Was Hitler's Dancer."

She is still thinking the offer over. To accept might mean the end of the sensational success she is having in Germany, where she is the most talked of star in show business.

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British map dealers have been receiving big orders recently from Germany for ordnance survey

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Our European Letter

France And Anglo-Russian Negotiations

(From Our Own Correspondent)

PARIS, May 14.

The new session of the French Chamber or Lower House opened in Paris two days back. The Prime Minister, M. Daladier, made a statement soon after proceedings started. The Chamber presented a lively appearance, with the generally gained interest in the international situation. An opportunity was afforded quite at the beginning to record this interest and reveal an attitude in relation to it. A message was read out from the Czechoslovak Minister in Paris, Dr. Osusky, recording appreciation of the non-recognition by France of the occupation of Bohemia and Moravia and indicating good recognition of a popular sympathy for the Czechoslovaks. The Chamber received this message with fervently expressed approval, the deputies standing up. M. Daladier, as was expected, devoted a good part of his speech to foreign affairs. He spoke with much firmness and an increased sense of assurance. After references more or less of a customary character, conveying a care to peace and expressing the possibility of peace being secured, M. Daladier declared that should, however, the moves for peace fail with the aggressive dictatorial regimes tending to pursue a forceful course towards expansionist aims, France would be found ready to adopt an active and very determined stand. "The [illegible] of the forces of France," he said, "would then make themselves felt." He deplored the country being called to make a severe strain, involving greatly an intensification of labour, but added that this was increasingly made necessary owing to the most close concentration on military expansion schemes in the neighbouring dictatorial lands, with the strong inroads upon labour conditions in association. M. Daladier underlined the importance of understanding with Britain and care to it on the part of France. He spoke in greatly definite terms about the importance of co-operation with Russia, in a much more definite way and in firmer tone than generally suggested by declarations on the issue by the French Foreign Secretary. M. Daladier's declaration has made an impression in Berlin, even if it has not found an approval. Perhaps the lack of approval to good extent also explains the impression.

Anglo-Turkish Agreement

The announcement of the Anglo-Turkish Agreement, indicated to be followed by a closer one between Paris and Ankara, has come for much discussion in the European press this week. As a most outstanding factor in connection with the comments relating to it stand out, a marked disapproval from the side of Germany. Turkey is pitied, scolded and warned. The "National Zeitung" of Essen, that is known as standing close to Marshal Goering, makes bombastic references to the strength and potentialities of the Berlin-Rome Axis, and in a militant tone getting to be more commonly adopted by Germany, projects the development of German opposition to a scheme to restrict Germany's scope of action and put a check on Germany as the Anglo-Turkish Agreement is represented as taken or seen by Berlin. Some German papers speak of Turkey falling a dupe to British propaganda and plans. The exhibited concern and anger do not disguise a resentment over the Agreement, with it being really viewed as a factor suited to serve as a serious hindrance to some German plans. In certain quarters, it is felt, that Germany might now turn to devote keener care to pull Spain nearer to the Berlin-Rome Axis and push up plans to extend holds in the Balkans in directions viewed as allowing for the purpose a scope widened in ways. In connection with the latter, there are reflections and estimates of a greater pressure being cast on Jugoslavia.

Pressure On Jugoslavia

It is no secret that from German side moves have been on foot ever since the occupation of Bohemia and Moravia to add to a pressure on Jugoslavia. The aim is to draw Jugoslavia closely or definitely to the Berlin-Rome Axis, much in the way that Hungary has been drawn. Belgrade probably must be seeing now the folly of an attitude of detachment favoured by official circles towards the German-Czechoslovak tension in the period immediately before Munich. The scope for detachment and isolationist course has considerably narrowed. It gets to be increasingly dangerous to advance the theory of affairs outside one country being of little importance to the latter, with the closer influence that developments in one place tend to cast on those in other regions. In connection, the internal frame-work of a land also comes to gain a significance, as the direction of the foreign policy of the land is greatly determined by its frame-work. To the German-Czechoslovak issue, Jugoslavia came to advance a detachment, much in opposition to popular currents, under the influence of the separatist interests of certain dominant groups that also led to other forces of threat being underestimated. Belgrade in this respect made a mistake that Warsaw also tended to make. To-day both Germany and Italy have geographically advanced nearer to Jugoslavia. The policy of wooing is being substituted or increasingly diluted by one of coercing. Jugoslavia is now in no easy position. The differences with the minorities have not been settled. In regard to this issue, solutions fitted to cause good improvements, if made earlier, might now involve also dangers. A delay in Anglo-Russian negotiations getting to assume a positive turn might very likely see Jugoslavia fall in the grip of the Berlin-

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

Spain And Dictators

The victory parade at Madrid—Mr. Lloyd George quite appropriately described it as a "carnivorous victory"—which was attended by representatives of the democracies, is now over at last. And it is reported that German and Italian "legionaries," who participated in the celebrations, are now leaving Madrid and Spain. The suggestion obviously is that the Dictators are honouring their promise to withdraw. A few questions, however, arise in this connection. Did the "legionaries," who took part in the parade, constitute the whole foreign force in Spain? If not, what about the rest: are they leaving or staying on? Then, who is in possession of the Balearics, Italy or Spain, and are Italian troops stationed there also withdrawing? We have serious doubts. It is also obvious that the purpose which was to be represented by the withdrawal of the "legionaries" has not, and cannot, be achieved. The Spain of General Franco will have to pay the full price of Italo-German support. The Dictators are already seeing to it.

Deplorable Tragedy

Czech gold amounting to no less than five or six million sterling held in London under the name of the Bank of International Settlements has been released to the Reich. It is suggested that this was done as a result of strong German pressure upon that Bank and it had to be done because London could not but comply with the mandate of the Bank. This is an unfortunate tragedy which cannot be deplored too profoundly because gold in the hands of Germany can work incalculable havoc. But is the excuse offered by London quite justifiable? Could not the British Government stop this surrender on the quite fair and undeniable ground that German sovereignty over Czechoslovakia was an act of brigandage which the world had refused to recognise?

The Axis Pact

Very little significance need attach to the ceremonial act which was performed in Berlin the other day by Herr Von Ribbentrop and Count Ciano. It constituted merely a formalising of the Agreement which had been arrived at by these two at Milan some time ago. Even as to the agreement itself, every non "realist" will fully agree with Von Ribbentrop that "the Pact served no other purpose than to give documentary evidence to the world of something which had been a practical reality for a long time." It ought, however, to serve one other purpose. It must once and for all assure "realists" that it is utterly ridiculous and even dangerous to cling to hopes of Italy deserting Germany. They must give up that hope and make up their minds that they will have to face an Axis not a Germany alone.

Co-operative Colonies For Harijans

The Kokanastha Mahar Co-operative Colony of Khar, whose first batch of nine cottages was declared open by the Bombay Premier on Monday, is an example of what co-operation can do for the poorest and most backward communities. The cost of the cottages will be recovered mostly from the occupants, a feature which besides fostering self-reliance, will facilitate the starting of similar colonies in other places. But the colony has been substantially helped by the present Government who have given the land at a concession rate of only one rupee per square yard and a loan at 5 per cent interest the repayment of which is spread over 25 years. The Government have also decided to present the Colony with a radio set. It is to be hoped the Municipality will promptly attend to the urgent needs of the Colony like water supply, roads, lighting and good sanitary arrangements. It is also necessary that the Colony should not be completely segregated. Suitable methods should be devised to ensure its due contact with other communities

Wanted An Inquiry

Our Simla correspondent understands that for four vacancies in the Indian navy only fourteen candidates presented themselves at the last examination but that not even one of them was successful. If the facts are as stated, an independent searching inquiry needs to be made into the whole question with special reference to the qualifications of the candidates, the nature of the examination, the advertisement of the vacancies and the publicity given to the rules and regulations of all the examinations of the whole course. The Federal Public Services Commission thinks that "the chief reason for so poor a response from the whole of India, especially at a time when the complaint of the unemployment is so prevalent, appears to be that life on the sea, particularly in the Navy, is unknown and not popular." This view is a libel on India and is unwarranted by facts. The fault is rather with those who fail to find suitable persons for the line, perhaps because they do not wish to find them.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

A man seldom shoots above the mark at which he aims.

A good neighbour is as great a blessing as a bad one isn't.

Warm language is sometimes used in demonstrating cold facts.

The poorer a man is the less likely he is to be called a grafter.

According to indications, it takes a quart of rye to drown a spoonful of trouble.

Most of the kissing done is due to people thinking they ought to kiss rather than because they want to.

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WITHOUT COMMENT

LONDON, May 24.

The statement made in the House of Commons yesterday is taken by several newspapers as confirmation that Czech gold amounting to five or six million sterling held in London under the name of the Bank of International Settlements has been released to Reichbank.—Reuter.

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Dr. Schacht has arrived in Madras from Rangoon, says a press report.

Good heavens, again!

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According to Mr. R. A. Butler, "Palestine could not be exclusively either a Jewish or an Arab State."

It should, therefore, be a State under the exclusive super-sovereignty of Britain. Q.E.D.

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Assurances given about a Jewish "National Home" did not, said Mr. Malcolm MacDonald in the House of Commons, mean a Jewish State against the wishes of the Arab population.

They did mean, that is to say, a Jewish "National Home" against the wishes of the Arab population. The admission is valuable.

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Britain could, declared Mr. MacDonald, enforce on the Arabs any kind of Jewish "National Home" but they could not do that with any moral justification.

Britain, we are bound to admit, never hesitates to face moral obligations—when forced by material failure.

Anyway we congratulate the Grand Mufti for—er—helping Great Britain to begin to recognise demands of moral justification.

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"It would, Mr. MacDonald has now decided to recognise, be contrary to the Mandate if Britain did not begin work now towards the establishment of self-governing institution in Palestine.

Yes, wouldn't it? The preliminaries are more or less complete even if the ground is not quite clear.

You see, Palestine now possesses (1) an army of occupation, (2) fully organised commercial and strategic interests, (3) a very strong and lively minority and (4) a substantial moderate and sober" element led by that great patriot Nashashibi. Every requisite is now ready for beginning work towards the establishment of that "self-Government" which is the particular contribution of British genius towards the politics of Imperialism.

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The Labour Party in Britain is very indignant because, as it believes, the British Government have repudiated the Balfour Declaration whereby Great Britain, with supreme and characteristic generosity had given away to the Jews what belonged to the Arab.

No, you needn't register surprise. The Labourites are merely applying the Britisher's well-known national genius for compromise (otherwise known by another name) to socialism.

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According to a distinguished Chinese military authority "China has now passed the most critical periods of the war against Japan."

We heartily rejoice over it. But we are afraid lest the General's assurance might act as an incentive for friendly democracies to help Japan.

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In a statement after signing the German-Italian (no, not Italo-German) Pact Count Ciano declares, "Being friends Italy and Germany would march together to the end."

To the grand end! Amen!

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By the way, it is, of course, quite untrue that Count Ciano was Ribbentrapped at Milan.

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Clerk—"I'd like to get a week off, sir, to attend the wedding of a friend."

Employer—"A very dear friend, I should think, to make you want that much time off."

Clerk—"Well, sir, after the ceremony she will be my wife.

Bent On Faithful Fulfilment Of Obligations

Firm Adherence To Anglo-Portuguese Alliance Declared

LISBON, May 23.

DR. Salazar, Premier, stressing Portugal's firm adherence to the Anglo-Portuguese Alliance in the Assembly declared, "I know I am speaking in the name of the country when I say that I am wholly determined to fulfil faithfully our obligations in alliance.

The visit of the British military mission solved some of the military problems and established contacts which will be followed up.

The Portuguese-Spanish Anti-Aggression pact was in accordance with the traditional policy of Britain which must be pleased with the establishment of this zone of peace in the Peninsula, since one state is her ancient ally and the other has always been her friend".—Reuter.

Italy Can Least Afford To Become Involved In War

Italo-German Treaty Leaves England Unperturbed

LONDON, May 23.

The signing of the Italo-German Treaty arouses singularly little emotion among British commentators.

"THE TIMES" however notes the sinister significance in the interpretation placed on a section of the Treaty by Sgr. Gayda who speaks of the organisation of impressive reserves, always ready for mibilisation, which are essential for a lightning type of war.

The "NEWS CHRONICLE" says that the alliance confirms the futility of attempting to detach Italy from the Axis but precisely because of the closeness of the commitment, it may well be that Italy will have a deterrent effect on the senior partner because of all the great powers Italy can least afford to become involved in war.

The "MANCHESTER GUARDIAN" similarly thinks that Sgr Mussolini has no reason for optimism as the Anglo-Turkish Pact has greatly weakened Italy's strategic position in the Mediterranean and the Pact in this respect can give her little satisfaction.

The "DAILY EXPRESS" recalls Italy's signature in 1914 on one side but her troops on the other. Herr Hitler is aware of this but his object is to keep us in a state of dither in order to extort concessions. "He has put that trick over once but cannot do it twice"

AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Boy Prodigies Score Over Veterans

LONDON, May 23.

At Hoylake, two boy prodigies cornered the limelight in the second round of the Amateur Golf Championship.

The seventeen year-old Kenneth Thom of Thorpehall beat S. E. Banks of Hallamshire, the Runnerup of last year's English Championship, 2 and 1 and the nineteen-year-old James Bruen, Irish Champion defeated Leonard Crawley, Essex Cricketer and Walker Cup Player 4 and 2.

Charles Yates Holder, defeated D. Cameron Kirkintilloch 2 and 1.

Among the day's spectators, was 78-year-old Johnball, eight times winner of the Championship.

In the second round, C. P. Johnsone after bye in the first round beat J. P. Marston (ex-Frilford-heath) 4 and 3.

Francis Ricardo (ex-Sandylodge) beat L. S. Foster (Royal Calcutta) 1 and 0.

W. S. McLeod (Scottish International Walkercup Trialist) beat Cyril Tolley (twice holder) by one hole.—Reuter.

DAVIS CUP RESULT

WARSAW, May 23.

In Davis Cup, Second Round, Germany eliminated Poland by three matches to two.—Reuter

ANGLO-AMERICAN BARTER AGREEMENT

Questions In House Of Commons

LONDON, May 23.

Questioned in the House of Commons regarding the reported Anglo-American barter agreement being negotiated involving direct exchange of cotton, rubber and tin, Mr. Oliver Stanley said he would inform the House when the negotiations had reached a stage whereat he could usefully make a statement

He was already in touch with Liverpool and Manchester Cotton Associations and intended to consult the cotton interests concerned before making any commitment.

Asked whether there was any foundation in the widespread American newspaper reports Mr. Stanley said offhand that he would say "no".—Reuter.

GERMAN VOLUNTEERS LEAVE SPAIN

BERLIN, May 23.

German volunteers in Spain left Leon for Vigo, where they will embark in five ships for Germany, the last of which will leave on May 25.

It is understood the volunteers will parade in Berlin on June 6.—Reuter.

LEITH-ROSS BUSY IN GREECE

Question Of British Credit And Export Discussed

LONDON: May 23.

It is officially announced that Sir Frederick Leith-Ross had a number of meetings at Athens during the past week with the Greek President of the Council, the Finance Minister, and the Governors of the Bank of Greece when the grant of export credit guarantees for British exports to Greece was examined.

It was agreed that Sir Frederick Leith-Ross should return to London to report to Government, and that the Greek Government should send its representative to continue the discussions in London and conclude detailed arrangements.—Reuter.

GERMAN PLAYWRIGHT FOUND DEAD

NEW YORK, May 23.

Ernest Toller, German playwright, was found dead hanging in his hotel room suspended from his dressing gown cord.—Reuter.

ITALIAN BUDGET UPSET

ROME: May 23.

Italy's expenditure in the past three years has exceeded revenue by 40 thousand million Lire. 28 thousand million Lire of this was spent on behalf of the Empire and armaments.

This statement was made officially in a debate in the Chamber of Fasci.—Reuter.

BOMB THROWN AT BARRACKS

LONDON, May 23.

A bomb consisting of twenty sticks of gelignite was thrown through a window at the King's Liverpool Regiment Gymnasium in Seaforth barracks.

The bomb was immediately plunged into a bucket of water and did not explode.—Reuter.

FRENCH WARSHIPS ON CRUISE

PARIS, May 23.

Eighteen warships including the battleships "Dunkerque" and "Strasbourg", the cruisers "Gloire" and "Montcalm" left Brest on a month's cruise of British, Belgian and Dutch waters.—Reuter.

Imperial Airways Co. To Be Sold

LONDON: May 23.

The Imperial Airways shareholders at an extraordinary general meeting authorised the sale of the Company's assets to the new corporation to be formed for acquiring the Imperial Airways and the British Airways.—Reuter.

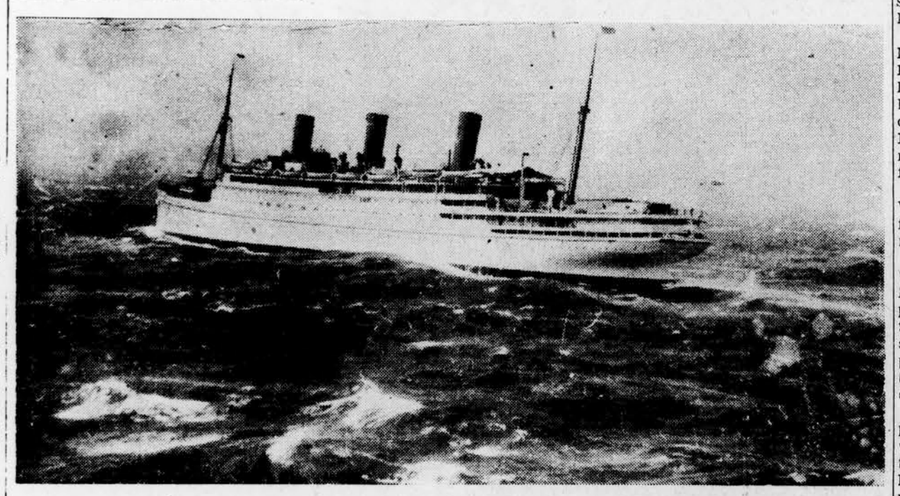
JAPANESE CHARGE AGAINST POWERS

Landing Of Blue-jackets. An Unfriendly Act

TOKYO, May 23

The Japanese counter-reply to the British, French and United States notes regarding Kuiangsu states that the landing of the bluejcakets of these countries was "an unfriendly act beyond comprehension and done in defiance of Japanese request" and it reiterates that the Japanese five-point proposals could be carried out without difficulty.—Reuter

THE KING PHOTOGRAPHS ESCORT:
The Queen watching the King as he photographs the battle-cruiser "Repulse," which escorted the "Empress of Australia" halfway in the Atlantic during the Royal voyage to Canada.



"EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA" BATTLES THROUGH ROUGH SEAS.
The "Empress of Australia", in which the King voyaged to Canada, is sailing in rough seas.

England Submits To International Brigandage?

Czech Gold In England Handed Over To Germany

LONDON, May 24.

The statement made in the House of Commons yesterday is taken by several newspapers as confirmation that Czech gold amounting to five or six million sterling held in London under the name of the Bank of International Settlements has been released to Reichbank.

The statement in question was made by Mr. Crookshank who said that assets held to the order of the Bank of International Settlements was not subject to the recent British Act and any mandate of the Bank for transfer of such assets had to be complied with.

The "News Chronicle" says it is unfortunate that the clause in the Bank of Inetrnational Settlements constitution designed to prevent international brigandage has apparently operated to the benefit of the perpetrators of aggression.

The "Financial News" understands that release of the gold was the result of strong pressure exerted upon the Bank of International Settlements through its German Assistant General Manager Herr Von Hechler.—Reuter.

Czech Assets In England

LONDON, May 23

The question of release of Czech assets held in England was raised again in the House of Commons when Sir John Simon said that there would be no general release until the financial obligations due from Czechoslovakia to the British holders had been satisfactorily arranged.

Sir John Simon emphasised that the assets of the Bank for International Settlements were immune from every form of international restrictions.—Reuter

ROOSEVELT'S STRAIGHT REPLY TO BUSINESSMEN

Present Policy Of Taxation To Continue

WASHINGTON, May 23.

In a speech before the National Retail Federation, President Roosevelt delivered the long awaited pronouncement of Government's attitude towards business.

President Roosevelt declared that balancing the budget now or even the next year would be difficult if not impossible. He warned the country that it ought not to raise less money from taxation than at present and if the so-called business deterrent taxes, like the Undistributed Profits Tax, were repealed, other business taxes must be increased.

The President vigorously defended Government's policy of spending and lending and emphasised his determination to adhere to Government's principles and objectives". President Roosevelt added that with no danger to-day of surplus goods overhanging the market the United States was in an excellent position to move forward into a period of greater production and employment.—Reuter.

Palestine White Paper In House Of Lords

LONDON, May 23.

The House of Lords debated the Palestine White Paper on a motion approving the Government's policy to which Lord Snell moved an amendment on similar lines to the official labour amendment in the House of Commons.—

SNELL WITHDRAWS AMENDMENT

Lord Snell withdrew his amendment, and the House agreed to the Government's motion approving of the policy of the White Paper without a division.—Reuter.

Yugoslavia Not Breaking Away From Balkan Entente

BUCHAREST: May 23.

Following M. Gafencu's return from his meeting with M. Markovitch well-informed circles understand that M. Gafencu is satisfied with the result of his trip and that possibility of Yugoslavia breaking away from the Balkan entente has been countered for the present.—Reuter.

World Achievement.

Modern Researches

In these amazing days when scientists are for ever leading the world to more and greater wonders it may be interesting to have a peep at the men who are kept busy at the Government Buildings Research Station at Watford, England.

Many attempts have been made since the opening of the era of semi-detached houses and flats, to construct houses with sound-proof rooms. Though no absolutely sound-proof room has yet been constructed, a sound-proof house built at the Research Station goes a long way to giving us quieter refuge from the maddening crowd. Here the rooms are constructed on the principle of a box within a box, the floors insulated from the main structural framework, and the walls for each of the rooms carried by separate floating floors. Between adjoining rooms are cavities—below the floor, above the ceiling, and behind the walls. The ceiling is double, and the lower ceiling is suspended by special clips to the upper, and packed with rubber or cork so that there is no direct tie.

A man can sit in one of these rooms while another man, in the next room walks, dances, runs, sings, shouts, or makes as much noise as he can, and the only sound that the listener will hear will be a low rumbling as if someone at a considerable distance is talking.

Also at the Research Station we may meet Robert, the Eupatheoscope which means "I see how I feel." Robert is a black cylinder mounted on three legs, and when warmed to the temperature of the human body he is placed in draughts or submitted to the discomfort of a badly ventilated room. From the wires and lamps which make up his anatomy and register his "reactions," the scientists know what effect such conditions have upon the human body.

Nazism Fomenting Arab-Jewish Trouble

CHURCHILL'S CHARGE AGAINST GOVT.

Opposition Amendment Defeated In Commons

LONDON: May 23.

In the Commons debate on White Paper on Palestine Sir Stafford Cripps suggested that a limited part of Palestine should be temporarily set aside as a Jewish enclave, where Jewish self-government would be allowed to develop, while Arab self-government could be developed in the rest of the country.

If during the period of partition an intense development of Arab economic life was carried on, at the end of ten years the two races' standards would be much closer and there might be an opportunity of their working together.

Mr. Noel Baker described Government's proposals as a surrender to terrorism, and alleged that the disturbances in Palestine were financed and aided by Italy and Germany. He contended that but for outside propaganda Jews and Arabs would live in harmony.

Mr. Crossley (Conservative) sponsoring the Arab case said that the compromise now present did at least show some regard for truth and honesty to the Arabs who sought only legitimate self-government in their own land.

Mr. De Rothschild urged that Mr. MacDonald should ask the League's permission to make Palestine a British colony and declared that permanent British rule only was a satisfactory safeguard. It could ensure a regime in which neither the Jew nor the Arab need fear domination of the other.

Col. Wedgwood described that White Paper as a surrender to force and urged that Jews should resist.

Lt.-Col Amery described the White Paper as a confession of failure, a direct negation of the principles on which our administration in Palestine had been based and a repudiation of the pledges on the strength of which the Government of Palestine was entrusted to us.

Government was trying to appease the Arabs by breaking faith with the Jews. Government should try the expedient of governing Palestine and restoring order admitting any temporary "Jews they considered proper". (Note Lt.-Col. Amery is a signatory to an amendment, which will not be reached, asking the House not to consent to Government's proposals until examined by the Mandates' Commission of the League)

He intimated that he would support the Opposition amendment.

Mr. Butler replying to the debate said that Government maintained that by bringing both sides in Palestine up against certain stark realities and showing them that certain of their claims are unrealisable we should bring nearer the date of co-operation and understanding.

The facts were that immigration could not continue indefinitely at the present rate without worse trouble and Palestine could not be exclusively either a Jewish or an Arab State.

Mr. Butler paid a tribute to the statesmanlike attitude of the Arab States' representatives at the London Conference. He was sure that these statesmanlike qualities would assist us in the difficulties ahead.

LABOUR LEADERS' CHARGE

In the House of Common, resuming the Palestine debate Mr. Herbert Morrison, Opposition Labour, declared that the Government was breaking promises and acting dishonourably.

The policy of the White Paper directly conflicted with the declarations of the Government. Jews were now to be made a permanent minority in the country that had been promised to them as the Jewish National Home, and Mr. MacDonald was utlely unwilling or unable to give any indication how protection would be afforded to them.

The Jews were to be sacrificed to the Government's inability to govern, and its apparent fear of (if not, indeed sympathy with) violence and methods of murder and assassination.

He urged that the opinion of the Hague Court should be obtained before the House and the Government were finally committed to a policy with regard to which grave doubts existed with regard to its consistency with the Balfour Declaration and the Mandate.

Mr. Morrison expressed the belief that most of the trouble in Palestine was created by a minority of certain classes of Arabs, probably through the agents of Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini and suggested that the Government might in part solve the problem on the lines of active co-operation between Jews and the large proportion of Arabs to maintain order in Palestine.—Reuter.

Sir Archibald Sinclair emphatically declared that the White Paper was inconsistent with the mandate.

CHURCHILL'S OPPOSITION

Mr. Maxton strongly opposed the White Paper.

Mr. Churchill announced that he would vote against the Government's proposals. As one intimately and responsibly connected with the earlier stages of Palestine policy, he could not stand by and see solemn engagements of Britain set aside for reasons of administrative convenience or in vain hope of quiet life. The Balfour Declaration and the Mandate were both violated by the Government's proposals.

The Archbishop of Canterbury expressed the view that the White Paper was giving very scanty justice to Jews.

ZETLAND'S DEFENCE

Lord Zetland for the Government said that he believed what was intended as a National Home for Jews was a spiritual home, where through the agency of a Hebrew University other institution there might be kept alive and enriched the arts of Judaism and where the Jewish religion might be practised at Holy places. The Government had done much to establish national homes for Jews of that kind.

Undoubtedly, they did promise to recognise and support Arab independence in the greater part of Arabian countries and the Government claimed that they had already handsomely fulfilled that promise, as witness the case of Iraq and other Arab Independence in the greater part of Arabian countries. But they claimed with equal vigour that Palestine was specifically excluded from that pledge.—Reuter

PALESTINE WHITE PAPER

Opposition Amendment Defeated In Commons

LONDON, May 23.

In the House of Commons, the Opposition Amendment on Palestine was defeated by 281 votes against 161. The Government's motion was carried by 268 against 179.—Reuter.

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125 Kisans Arrested Near Charsadda

Sequel To Execution Of Ejectment Orders In Favour Of Landlords

PESHAWAR, May 23.

One hundred and twenty-five peasants, including some Red-Shirts, have been arrested so far at Mustiabad, near Charsadda (Peshawar District), where Dr. Khan Sahib's son was arrested, following the execution of ejectment orders in favour of a local landlord against certain tenants.

Fresh "jathas" are expected to court arrest shortly.

Pir Shahanshah, President of the Provincial Congress Committee, interviewed Mr. Obeidullah yesterday in Charsadda jail, when it is learned that the latter put certain demands on behalf of the tenants including that for compensation for the houses built by the tenants on the landlord's land .

No settlement has yet been reached.—United Press.

PREMIER'S SON IN JAIL

PESHAWAR, May 23.

The "United Press" is authorised to contradict the report that Dr. Khan Sahib met Mr. Obeidullan on Sunday last in Charsadda jail. He did not interview his son in the jail so far.

Mr. Obeidullah is still lodged in the Charsadda jail and the report of his transfer to the Peshawar jail is also baseless.—United Press.

GANDHIJI ON 'AHIMSA'

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me—me, who is a devotee of 'Ahimsa' since over fifty years."—

Exhorting the people to cultivate unity Gandhiji said "Unity is the root of strength and progress. The Parishad must embrace and convert every section of the people. Some may not join hands with the Parishad owing to their weakness and others due to references opinion, even then, they are with us."

BAN ON NEWSPAPERS

Gandhiji referred to the anomaly of the State's issuing another notification continuing the ban on the newspapers which he considered illegal and painful to the people. Gandhiji advised the people not to be disheartened over such matters. He asked them to stop reading papers, which indulged in violent language and advised them to boycott them if they embarrassed the cause by using such language. He also appealed to the press to refrain from writing anything which might increase bitterness.

Finally, Gandhiji appealed to the State authorities also to have faith in the good sense of the people.

Gandhiji added "There is not a single person in the whole world, who does not deserve our love. To achieve unity of soul is the greatest "Purushartha" (achievement) I am after."

Concluding, he said "I wish both Ruler and ruled in Rajkot may arrive at an understanding and thus become happy. I wish your administration to be such as to make it ideal. The late Lakhajiraj has laid a strong foundation on which you can easily build an ideal structure.

REFORMS COMMITTEE

Clarifying the Parishad's attitude 'vis-a-vis' the newly formed Reforms Committee, Gandhiji stated "I hope the committee would work on the basis of the notification number 50 of December last. As for me, I have laid down all my weapons. Hence I can only make a request. I advise the Parishad workers to give full co-operation to the Committee and place before it any evidence or their aspirations. As for the fight, I am still groping in darkness. I have not yet sufficiently found light. If I am fully enlightened, I will place it before you and guide you if you would want my guidance. Otherwise, I will remain in my humble home".

"WHAT BROUGHT ME HERE"?

The meeting concluded amidst deafening cheers for Gandhiji.

In the course of his address Gandhiji said that there must be some Muslims as well as Bhayats present at the meeting. They had said lot of things and bitter too, about him. "However, I would wish they would carry my message".

Gandhiji put the question "What brought me to Rajkot to make peace"? He recalled that he was closely connected with Rajkot and its ruling family. He was brought up in Rajkot. His father had served as Dewan in the State and lastly he was closely connected with the late Thakore Sir Lakhajiraj, who had considered him as his "Guru".—A. P.

Radical 'Forward Bloc' Conference In Bombay

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A proposal to call an All-India Radical Forward Bloc Conference in Bombay shortly before the forthcoming A.I.C.C. meeting was adopted at an informal meeting of City Congress men held at the Servants of India Society Hall yesterday to formulate plans for forming a "Forward Bloc" in the city.

The meeting was attended by about 60 Congressmen, including representatives of the various Wards and also by Labour and other Party leaders, who are members of local Congress Committees. Mr. K. F. Nariman presided.

It was decided at the meeting that propaganda should be conducted on behalf of the proposed "Bloc" and a small Committee was appointed to get in touch with representatives of Ward Committees, who are in sympathy with the move. After the preliminary spade work it was decided to call another meeting to elect the office-bearers and complete arrangements for the All-India Conference.—United Press.

Bengal Hindu Deputation

CALCUTTA, May 23.

It is understood that the Hindu deputation which will wait on the Governor of Bengal at Darjeeling on Saturday to place before him the view point of the Hindus regarding communal ration in the Public Services will consist of six prominent Hindus of the province and will be led by the Maharajadhiraj Bahadur of Burdwan.—United Press.

A SHORT STORY

GOOD INSURANCE

(By Richard Hill Wilkinson)

Twenty years ago Ken Poe and Paul Randall were doing a vaudeville act on Broadway. It was among the top notchers, and toured the circuits. Time passed and warning rumbles began to sound on the horizon of vaudeville.

"Look Paul," Ken said one day. "vaudeville's on the skids. Let's ditch the act and take a shot at Hollywood."

"You're crazy, kid. Nothing will put our act on the skids. It's too good. Most everyone who goes to Hollywood doesn't eat."

But Ken wasn't convinced. A month later he told Paul he was quitting. He urged his partner to come with him.

"I hate to lose you, kid. You're the best partner I ever had." Paul placed an affectionate hand on Ken's arm. "You won't be satisfied till you've taken your shot at Hollywood. Go on out there. If you don't make a go of it, come back. No matter how down and out you are, remember you're always welcome to half of anything I have."

There was a lump in Ken's throat and he almost changed his mind about Hollywood, but he knew he'd never be satisfied until he had tried it, so he packed up and headed west.

After Ken had gone Paul looked around for another partner and found one, but the new man wasn't half as good as Ken. Paul waited anxiously for letters from Ken, and he watched the newspapers. Both sources of information were gratifying. Ken had been given a tryout and was found to be good material.

Before a year had passed Ken was being featured as a comedy lead, and he had a radio programme. Paul was tickled.

"The Kid's doing all right," he said to Burt Blair, his new partner. "I knew he would. He's got what it takes."

"He must have had," Blair said sourly. "There's nothing left of this act of yours. Ken Poe must have had it all.

Paul looked ugly for a minute, then he grimmed. "You can quit any time you want if you don't like the way things go, Burt."

"Swell! I'm quitting now."

Paul got himself another partner. By hook and crook he kept the act going for another couple of years. By then, vaudeville was definitely on the way out. It made Paul feel bad. Then he thought of Ken out in Hollywood. Ken was now one of the most shining lights in the world of radio and screen.

That summer Paul closed his act.

"No use trying to keep it going," he told Sam Bemis, his new partner. "Vaudeville's gone by the board."

"So what are you going to do?" Sam asked.

"Me? Why, I'm going to Hollywood and collect on my insurance."

"You won't have a chance in

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"I hate to lose you, Kid," Paul said.

Hollywood. You should have gone out five years ago."

Paul grinned and shook his head. "Maybe I wouldn't have had a chance then. Suppose I'd gone out and missed making the grade, I'd be flat on my back. Nope, it was safer to take out insurance."

Sam was puzzled, but Paul didn't bother to explain.

So Paul went to Hollywood and the day he landed there he called Ken's studio and asked for Ken's address. But the studio wouldn't give it to him. No matter how convincingly he told them that he was Ken's closest friend they wouldn't give it to him. Mr. Poe, they said had to protect himself.

Paul was sore. He called the telephone company and asked for Ken's number, and was advised that under no circumstances would they give out the numbers of unpublished phones.

Beginning to feel a little anxious, Paul went to a hotel, found a writing room and penned a note to Ken. He mailed the letter in care of the studio, and resigned himself to waiting.

He waited three days and no reply came. On the fourth day he received an autographed photo of Ken from the studio's publicity department. Paul was wild. He called the studio again, sent Ken a telegarm, contacted the radio station that handled Ken's programme, visited all the famous restaurants, but to no avail. In desperation he hired a sightseeing guide to point out Ken's house, but when he approached the gate he saw that the house belonged to Gary Cooper.

Time was passing. Paul's money was nearly gone. He applied for a job at the studio where Ken worked, but was turned away. He became desperate, panicky. Tomorrow he'd have to leave the hotel where he was stopping. He didn't have enough money to get back to New York. He didn't know a soul in Hollywood. He hadn't eaten for a full day.

Sunk to the depths of despair, bitter, resentful and very much afraid of the future, Paul was walking along Hollywood Boulevard. A car passed him, stopped, backed up. A voice cried: "Paul Paul Randall!"

Paul's heart leaped. It was Ken! The same old Ken.

Ken got out of the car and grasped Paul's hand and pounded him on the back and tears came into his eyes.

"Paul, you old son-of-a-gun! Am I glad to see you! What are you doing here? Why haven't you looked me up? How's the act going?"

"The act's dead, Ken," Paul said. "Vaudeville's out. I'm here looking for a job. I've been looking for a month!"

"A month!" Ken was aghast. "You've been in Hollywood a month and haven't got in touch with me? If that isn't just like my old friend Paul! He's down and out so he's too proud to look me up because he's afraid I'd think he wanted a handout or something." Ken laughed joyously. "Imagine that! The man whom I left high and dry in New York and who told me no matter how down and out I was I could always have half of what he had! Now he wouldn't come to me. Boy, am I glad I happened to see you. You're coming home with me, old friend, and tomorrow we'll see what we can do about putting that talent of yours to work in a picture."

Paul grinned. It had, he decided, been pretty good insurance after all.

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DIGBOI FIRING

SHILLONG, May 22

Dr. B. C. Roy, a member of the Congress Working Committee, in a statement to the "United Press" regarding the Digboi affairs, says—

"When the news of the firing on workers at Digboi was published in the papers, public mind was greatly agitated and I was particularly asked by many to ascertain so far as possible details regarding the affair. Since I have been up here I have made personal enquiries and have also read the report of the enquiry conducted by the Magistrate at Digboi and published recently.

"This enquiry was made by an officer subordinate to the district authorities. Public feeling has been roused, because rightly or wrongly they believe that the local officers of the police and the military were and are siding with the capitalist concern. It is no wonder that the public would consider the Magistrate's report as a whitewashing document, intended to shield those involved. I would invite the attention of the Ministry of Assam to this aspect of the matter, and suggest that it is incumbent on them at least to give a quietus to popular allegations regarding the conduct of local officers, and to institute immediately a sifting enquiry, preferably by a person of the standing of the High Court Judge, so that real facts may be ascertained and made available to the public and the perpetrators brought to justice, and incidents such as these avoided in future.

"FRIEND OF INDIA."

"While on one hand the public allege over-zealousness on the part of local officers to help the employers at Digboi, I find a certain English daily of Calcutta in its editorial the other day sought to maintain that 'police are being used as picketers.' Both these aspects of the matter will be investigated by a person who holds the enquiry. Meanwhile, let me say that the pathetic appeal made by the paper to the Congress President to enquire into the conduct of the Finance Minister of Assam, the Hon. Mr. Fakhruddin, will deceive nobody. The crude attempt to wean away the Premier from other Ministers and to create a division will fail. After its fulmination against the Assam Ministry on April 29 last, it is clear that the friend of India is the friend of capitalists in India. I am in a position to state that Premier Bardoloi and other Ministers are working together in this matter, and there is no question of one Minister crowding others out."—United Press.

Farewell To R. C. Mehta

Mr. R. M Aiyer and the members of the staff of Messrs. R. S. Mehta & Co., (Proprietors, Kappel Typewriters (India Agency) gave a farewell party on Tuesday at Bell Building to Mr. R. C. Mehta, on the eve of his departure for touring the continent.

Mr. Aiyer presented an address on behalf of himself and staff, eulogising his qualities of head and heart and wishing him "Bon Voyage."

Mr. Mehta made a suitable answer and the function terminated, with the presentation to Mr. Mehta of a silver-framed photograph of himself.

Muslim League's Charges Against Congress Cabinet

LAHORE, May 23

Several Congress Ministries have, it is, understood, sent to the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee replies to the allegations made against them by the Muslim League Deputation during their tour in the Punjab and N.W.F.P. These are being published in the form of a pamphlet.

The proposal to send a deputation of Congress Muslims from the Congress Provinces has not yet materialised.—A. P.

SEVERE CYCLONE IN BIHAR

Seven Killed: Several Injured: Communications Cut Off

PATNA, May 23.

Alarming reports are pouring in from different parts of North Bihar regarding a severe cyclone that passed off on Sunday night. The Districts of Saran and Muzaffarpur are the worst affected. Thatched roofs of several houses were blown off and the tiled roofs of many others were badly damaged. Hundreds of trees were uprooted.

Telegraph and telephone poles sustained damages. Communications were stopped and railway traffic between Palezaghat, Sonepur and Chapra was dislocated for about ten hours.

A report from Siwan states that seven persons were killed and several injured in the interior of Saran District.

The Government on being apprised of the calamities are granting Rs. 5,000 as gratuitous relief for house repairing while another Rs. 5,000 is being granted as a local under Natural Calamities Act as an immediate measure of relief.—United Press.

CURFEW ORDER AT SHOLAPUR

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months' imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 200 each.—A.P.

THREE KILLED: 25 INJURED

Armed Police At Sholapur

SHOLAPUR, May 23.

After a comparative calm of the whole of yesterday and a couple of stray assaults in the night there was a recrudescence of trouble this morning. To-day's casualties were, three killed and 25 injured. The Police have taken into custody nearly 30 persons. A 150 Armed Police requisitioned from Ahmednagar, Bijapur, and Poona Districts have been drafted on duty.

LATHI CHARGES.

The Police squads are patrolling the streets clearing them of crowds. Shops in all localities were closed, but the mills are working normally. Since early morning, thousands of Hindus demonstrated near the Arya Camp apparently as a protest against the Magisterial order on the Arya volunteers and shouted Arya slogans. Later, huge crowds roamed the streets shouting "Arya Samaj Zindabad" and other slogans, but were dispersed by the police who resorted to lathi charges at several places. Over 20 persons are reported to have received lathi blows.

RESTRICTIONS ON LOCAL PRESS.

The Police have ordered the local Press not to comment on the communal tension, and not to publish riot news. The order is to remain in force for a month.

The casualties so far are six killed and 55 injured.

As a sequel to the order of the District Magistrate the Arya Satyagraha Samiti have cleared their camp of all volunteers yesterday night and 200 were sent to Gulbarga during the day, while the remaining 44 were sent to the same place in the night.

DOING BEST TO OBEY ORDER.

Swami Swatantranand and Pandit Gyanchand have left for Drug to consult the President of the International Aryan League who is at present there.

Other Arya volunteers have proceeded to Ahmednagar Satyagraha centre.

Speaking about the District Magistrate's order, a spokesman of the Aryas said: "Inspite of the great inconvenience caused by the short time of 12 hours allowed to us, we are having absolutely no intention to give any cause for complaint to the authorities and with a view to promote the cause of peace are doing our best to carry out the said order."—United Press.

SIROHI "ENQUIRY COMMITTEE

Jagirdars And Officials Nominated

(From A Correspondent.)

SIROHI, May 20.

It is reported that an Enquiry Committee to go into details and report on 'land rent and forced labour' prebaient only in Khalsa villages, has been appointed by the Chief Minister Sirohi State. Jagirdars and State Officials have been nominated to work on the Committee which would be assisted by Shree Khemchand Babu, (late Revenue Commissioner) and a peasant. Officials and vested interests have got an overwhelming majority in it.

DANZIG AND LEAGUE

Council's Advice To Commissioner

GENEVA, May. 23.

The League Council's Danzig Committee has decided to make no change for the present in the relations between Danzig and the League. It was also decided to request the League's High Commissioner in the Free City Burckhardt, who is a Swiss to return to Danzig to make a report on the present situation.—Reuter.

INDO-JAPANESE TRADE

Temporary Decrease In Competition

LONDON, May 23.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Oliver Stanley said that no precise information was available, when asked what proportion of trade between Japan and India and between Japan and Australia was carried under the Japanese Flag. He added, so far as he could make out, owing to the circumstances of the Sino-Japanese War, Japanese competition tended to decrease, but this must not be counted on as a permanent consideration.—Reuter.

JAPAN AND AXIS POWERS

TOKYO, May 23.

The need for Japan to increase her ties with the Axis Powers following the Italo-German Alliance is the theme in most of the Press. A typical extract from the 'Yomiuri Shimbun' says, instead of merely offering congratulations, Japan should take steps to strengthen the co-operation with Italy and Germany.

Hankey Succeeds Hailey

GENEVA, May 23.

Lord Hankey has been appointed British Member of the League Permanent Mandates Commission in succession to Lord Hailey, who resigned in March.—Reuter.

SENSATION IN BHUJ

Rush For Public Meeting To Be Held At Mankuwa

(From Our Correspondent)

BHUJ, May 23

A sensation prevails in the city at the announcement made by the Cutch Prajakiya Parishad that a public meeting would be held at Mankuwa tonight. It will be recalled that a few days ago a party of Parishad volunteers was assaulted with lathis and kniyes at this village by some Girasias. Subsequently the State had banned public meetings on plea of danger of breach of peace.

This decision was taken at an emergent meeting of Parishad workers which met under the presidentship of Mr. Yusuf Meheralley.

Volunteers announced this decision by beat of drums while placards have been put up all over the city. The news spread like wild fire and people are excited over it. Mankuwa village has a population of about 3,000 and is situated eight miles away from Bhuj. All available tongas, motorcars buses and cycles have been taken up by the people in their rush to attend the meeting. The rush seems so great that tongas have been engaged at 15 'koris' whereas the ordinary rate is six 'koris'.

Rumours of all sorts are current in the city. One is that a large party of police is proceeding to Mankuwa. Girasias are also reported to be mobilising.

The Parishad has, however, determined to hold the meeting at any cost and vindicate their determination to oppose infringement of civil liberty.

MARTIN'S HEROIC PLAY

Gibbons' Two Fighting Innings

LONDON, May 23.

Martin played a heroic innings He was suffering from an injured leftside, which was heavily strapped, impeded his action and was very painful. He batted for 160 minutes, his score including 14 fours.

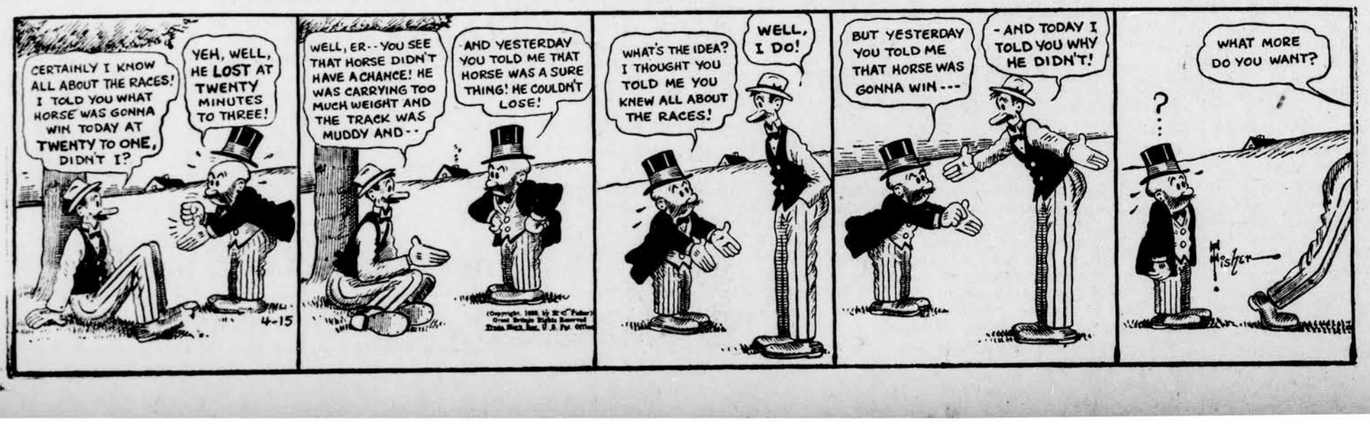
Gibbons played two fighting innings. He batted for 165 minutes in his second innings in which he scored 12 fours, while in his first innings he had 14 fours.

Santall played an aggressive innings lasting 175 minutes. His score included one six and 16 fours.

Hill batted for 185 minutes and had one five and ten fours.

Perks returned an analysis of 13.7/5/59/8.—Reuter.

MUTT AND JEFF—All of Which Is About as Satisfactory as a Police Court Decision **By BUD FISHER**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YEH, WELL, HE LOST AT TWENTY MINUTES TO THREE!
4-15
WELL, ER--YOU SEE THAT HORSE DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE! HE WAS CARRYING TOO MUCH WEIGHT AND THE TRACK WAS MUDDY AND--
AND YESTERDAY YOU TOLD ME THAT HORSE WAS A SURE THING! HE COULDN'T LOSE!
WHAT'S THE IDEA? I THOUGHT YOU TOLD ME YOU KNEW ALL ABOUT THE RACES!
WELL, I DO!
BUT YESTERDAY YOU TOLD ME THAT HORSE WAS GONNA WIN---
-AND TODAY I TOLD YOU WHY HE DIDN'T!
WHAT MORE DO YOU WANT?
?
Fisher

Exploiting Crisis For Profiteering

Arms Magnates Dictate Terms To Government

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, May 13.

The opponents of conscription in the House of Commons have repeatedly asserted that the introduction of the compulsory military service is bound to lead to more than one evil. They were not far from wrong as early this week it was revealed that some employers have begun sacking lads of 20, who are liable to be called up as conscripts on June 30. This revelation was made in the House of Commons by Mr. Wedgwood Benn, who, on behalf of his party, began the debate on the Government's Conscription Bill. Under the provisions of the Bill it will be the duty of any employer whose lad-employees are "called up" when the new law is in force, to reinstate them in their jobs at the end of their six months' training. If the employers are convicted of not doing this, they will be liable to a fine of £50 and the payment of four weeks wages. Mr. Wedgwood Benn read the following letter from a lad of 20:

'VICTIM OF CONSCRIPTION'

"It seems to me that I am already a victim of the conscription scheme. I have been working for about three years and my work has always been found satisfactory. But to-day the foreman came to me and asked me my age. Soon after I was discharged without being given any reason. I shall shortly be called up to do six months' service and sooner than wait till then and risk a fine they have sacked me now. It seems a despicable practice. What firm will employ me now, knowing that I am 20? I must hang about for some months, until I am called up. And after that, what?"

And aircraft capitalists in this country are going about to conscript the Government. Something has got to be done, they say, to make sure that they get profits, where there is a war or not. Perhaps that does not put the point quite rightly, since the Government itself is a conscript of capitalism. The aircraft capitalists are making that quite clear to the Government. Negotiations between them and the Air Ministry, according to the "Financial News", have reached a delicate stage. The delicacy consists in the solving of the problem, how to guarantee the aircraft capitalists profits on plant now being used for rearmament. After the plant has served its purpose. Without profits, capitalist industry will not work. They may be making profits now—indeed, they are. For instance, only last week it was revealed that the Rolls Royce subsidiary, Messrs Philips and Powis Aircraft, turned a trading loss of £15,533 into a profit of £58,278 last year. But the aircraft capitalists demand further, that profits shall be guaranteed on their expanded productive capacity. Otherwise, they will go on strike. This is how the "Financial News" puts it: "It is plain that a rigid restriction of profits will tend to reduce the industry's incentive to exert every possible effort to expand production."

ARMS MAGNATES DICTATE

Quite a number of the Government's intended conscript may be drawn from the aircraft factories. They may well mediate on the point that, while their bodies are conscripted, their employers tell the Government, "no profits, no air-planes." As to the extra plant on which the aircraft capitalists are demanding guaranteed profits, the "Financial News" reveals that this has been financed to a huge extent by the Government. "In 1937-38," it says, "the Government spent £4,000,000 on building shadow factories and expanding private contractors' works. In 1938-39 it spent £5,250,000. In 1939-40, it plans to spend £16,-250,000." I understand that the private capital invested in the industry is about £25,000,000. Government expenditure will by next year have exceeded this figure. What the aircraft capitalists are demanding is the right to charge the Government such prices for air-planes as will pay not only dividends on capital, but for the running, maintenance and manning of the plan for which the Government has paid. Further they want the Government to pay such prices that, when the plant for which the Government paid shall have served its purpose, the Government shall also have paid in advance for the "amortisation"—which, in this connections, can only mean the scrapping and writing-off of the plant.

SIMON AND BANKERS

However, if the British capitalists wanted a further tip to export funds while the going is good, they had it from Sir John Simon, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, when he spoke at the British Bankers' Association dinner on Monday night. The Chancellor admitted that the buying of foreign securities "could, if not restrained, constituted very considerable drain on our capital." "It would be stopped, of course," he continued. "It could be stopped completely if we were to adopt here and new measures of inspection and control and registration, all of them very hampering and very undesirable if they can be avoided....restriction which certainly would be found to be very galling and inconvenient to a great number of people". Sir John also assured the bankers that he would be very reluctant to impose such restrictions on the investment of capital. Inspection.... control.... registration.... galling and inconvenient. But what about the young men when the Government proposes to conscript? They may possible find the process galling and inconvenient. The lad whose matter was quoted by Mr. Wedgwood Benn in the House of Commons, even while Sir John Simon was soothing the bankers, undoubtedly finds it galling and inconvenient to have been given the sack on the grounds, presumably that he may shortly become a conscript. But what is his proletarian body that it should be given the same privilege as capital? It must be remembered that ever since last September, export of capital to safe funk-holes in America has been proceeding. Indeed, had it not been so, Sir John Simon would never have made his pious statement deprecating the buying of foreign securities. Because the facts could not be completely hidden, he had to say something—but do nothing. The effects therefore, of his highly moral phrase is to tip off the capitalists to export their funds before the Government may be forced to take some restrictive action.

MCGOWAN'S SALARY

There was quite a little scene at the annual meeting of Imperial Chemical Industries on Thursday, when Sir Alfred Cope, a shareholder, asked about the salary paid to Lord McGowan, the chairman. Newspapers, said Sir Alfred, have been estimating Lord McGowan's salary at between £40,000 and £80,000 a year. He pressed for a statement—"why not tell us and say that there is nothing whatever in the ugly, beastly rumours". But Lord McGowan, having the advantage of occupying the chair, merely ruled that it was "not the custom to disclose the salaries of whole-time directors". All this about Lord McGowan carries our memories back half a year, when there was a considerable row between Mr. Hyde, Managing Director of the Midland Bank and the Rt. Hon Reginald McKenna, its chairman, as to whether Lord McGowan should be allowed to enjoy an overdraft of some half million pounds, incurred by losses on speculation in American securities. Following that, a reorganisation of Imperial Chemical Industries took place and Lord McGowan's influence in the concern was reduced. It is understood, however, that Lord McGowan is still paid the same salary as before, and this is the reason for the question raised by Sir Alfred Cope the other day. The Imperial Chemical Industries is an armament concern. Its expenditure and profits are matters of public interest. Men who are to be subject to conscription at one shilling a day have a direct interest in the question whether Lord McGowan is being paid £80,000 a year or more or less, and, for what services, or through whose interests.

REORGANISING LEAGUE

A scheme to revise the League Covenant fundamentally will be discussed behind the scenes at Geneva when the League Council holds its postponed meeting the week after next. The plan, I am told, is already under wide, though private, discussion in several European capitals. As far as I can gather, it is hoped to set up the League Council on fresh lines. The principal members of it would hold permanent seats, not according to their size as Powers, as now, but according to their obligations to go to war to resist aggression. The other members, to be elected, would be Powers who have decided to stand as neutrals in any European war. For the first time, under this scheme, the League would have precise fighting forces at its command. It is intended that the permanent members should create a pool of fighting power and be ready to use it, if necessary, through regular staff conversations between their admirals, generals and air marshals. The permanent members would thus include Britain, France, Russia, Poland and Turkey at least. It is believed that preparations are being made to work out details between now and September, and to present the scheme in a finished form to secure adoption by the League Assembly in September.

INDIAN POPULATION IN BRITISH GUIANA

Less Given To Crime Than Other Communities

SIMLA, May 23.

The Indian population in British Guiana number about 143,000 of which 75,000 are males and 68,000 females, the proportion of females to males working out at 90 to 100, according to the latest annual report of the local Immigration Agent-General.

The percentage of the Indian population to the total population in the colony is 42.4.

Of the total Indian population, nearly 86,000 live off the estates; the rest number about 57,000 are on 27 sugar estates in the colony and of them a weekly average of about 15,000 were employed in field labour during 1937.

The average earnings per day worked were for males—shovel men, 55 cents, weeders 47 cents—and for females—weeders 34 cents.

The total earnings of Indians in wages during 1937 were a little over 1,950,000 dollars.

The existing hospitals on sugar estates are being maintained satisfactorily, it is reported, whilst increasing attention is being paid to general housing and sanitary conditions.

Out of a total share issue of about 65,000, Indians owned nearly 21,000 one dollar shares in 20 co-operative banks in the colony.

The number of Indian children attending primary schools is roughly 20,000 of whom 12,000 are boys and 8,000 girls. Ninety-four Indians were employed as teachers and 48 schools received grants for teaching Hindi during the year.

The number of destitute Indians in receipt of relief was about 500.

That the Indians in the colony are less given to crime than other communities resident there is shown by the fact that out of 224 persons in prison at the close of the year, only 66 or 29.4 per cent were Indians, while the percentage of Indian population to the total population of the colony is 42.4.—United Press.

SPECIAL NEWS

(Continued from page 6)

maps of Britain and Admiralty charts of the coast.

They have been coming from libraries and book-sellers, but are known to be for the requirements of German Government.

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Organisations of German mothers propose to complain to Hitler about abuse of the Strength Through Joy Movement.

They object to their daughters in Labour Service Camps being made the plaything of Storm Troopers who are taken on visits to the camps as part of their State-financed holiday.

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Very soon there will be a new Nazi attack on the Churches.

Hitler's greedy eyes are on wealth of the Roman Church in the Reich—estimated at millions of marks.

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Dr. Goebbels has started a school for cabaret girls. High kicking does not figure in the curriculum, however.

Intensive courses are given in methods of spreading the Nazi gospel and in acting as spare-time spies. When trained, they go on "holiday" to the Near East and Middle East, where their business is to make the acquaintance of Government officials, soldiers and tired businessmen.

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All private-owned horses, donkeys, mules and carts in Munich district are to be mustered soon for military purposes.

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German Army chiefs are worried over the increasing number of desertions that are taking place. Soldiers are swimming over the Rhine into Switzerland, crossing the frontiers into France and Belgium.

Big groups of deserters—hundreds a week—are also crossing the Silesian frontier into Poland, and escaping from East Prussia into Poland.

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The German Treasury has informed Hitler that the money chest is empty that it is impossible to add to the Government debt by borrowing and that the imposition of further taxes would lead to revolt.

Leading officials have warned Hitler that armament production must immediately be cut down, and that industrial capacity must be turned to the production of exports.

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Hitler has dismissed Dr. Brinkmann, Secretary of State in the Ministry of Economics, for telling him this, just as he dismissed Dr. Schacht. And he has told the Treasury to start printing mark notes.

£50,000,000 worth of extra notes were put into circulation during the past three weeks. Inflation on such a scale can only have one end.

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Oil figures in New York show that the bulk of Mexican oil is now going to Germany and Italy. Exports to the rest of the world are dwindling. The total exports for the first two months of 1939 were 2,658,000 barrels. 1,160,000 barrels went to Germany, 793,000 to Italy and 804,000 to the rest of the world.

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The German-Italian Military Pact was signed because Italy is stuck on the Nazi fly-paper. The Germans were determined to get the alliance, not because they have at all high opinion of Italy's economic or military strength, but because they are extremely afraid that at the 59th second of the 59th minute of the 23rd hour, when the bombers are on their aerodrome with the propellers ticking over, Italy will withdraw from the Axis.

Not only is Italy most unfavourbaly situated as regards taking part in a major war but the Vatican is exercising great deal of beneficial influence. So much so that in the near future we may see a renewal of the attack on the Catholic Church in Germany.

Of course the Italians have the Anglo-Italian Pact and if there is an acute crisis the existence of this document will give Mussolini a chance to ring up Wilhelmstrasse and say: "Steady on, my dear Adolf, I know all about the military alliance between us, but don't forget my Pact with England. You must give me a week in which to get that Pact denounced."

PHYSICAL EDUCATION INSTITUTE

Kher To Preside Over Annual Function

The annual closing ceremony of the Training Institute for Physical Education, Kandivli Bombay, will be held on the site of the institute on Saturday May 27. Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister, Bombay will preside.

The demonstration of physical feats will be an important item of the programme. The demonstration will include March past, Pole drill, Lathi, Wrestling, Cymbal drill, etc.

THE BHAVNAGAR OUTRAGE

Balvantray Mehta On "Times Of India's" Misleading Report

Mr. Balvantray Mehta Secretary, All India States' Peoples' Conference has addressed the following letter to the "Times of India":

Sir,—On the conclusion of the sittings of the Bhavnagar Prajaparishad, I have found time to study some of the news-items and Press-comments regarding the deplorable attack by some Muslim "goondas" on the peaceful presidential procession of the Prajaparishad. I was extremely surprised to read your stop-press message emanating from Bhavnagar dated 14th which was printed in your Dak edition of the 15th instant. Your correspondent, whoever, he is in that message, mentions a clash which occurred between a huge procession of Muslims and a large crowd.' He also says that 'Mr. Patel was taken to his destination under Police protection.' Both these statements are absolutely false.

Facts are as follows:—

Shree Sirdar Vallabhbhai Patel, who was profusely garlanded on behalf of scores of prominent public association and the leading citizens of Bhavnagar both at the station and during the progress of the procession, and who was received with wild enthusiasm by thousands of the Bhavnagar public who thronged in the vast compound of the railway station and lined the road filling every available space, was sitting in a motor car in the heart of the huge procession which was slowly wending its way on its appointed route. While the Sirdar was receiving garlands from the directors of the Grain-merchants' Association, which also included a few prominent Muslim merchants, a word came to us that lathis were being flourished on the procession near the Nagina mosque which was about a hundred yards in front of us, immediately we saw Shree Nanabhai Bhatt, who came rushing enquiring about Sirdar's safety He himself was wounded on the head and was profusely bleeding. We were told both by the workers accompanying Shree Nanabhai Bhatt and by the Superintendent of Police who also appeared on the scene that some persons were stabbed near the mosque and they advised us to abandon the procession in view of the developing dangerous situation.

Sirdar Patel directed us to pick on Shree Bhatt who was in a semi-conscious condition put him in his car and drive straight to the hospital. Thus the Sirdar went to the hospital, where Shree Bhatt's wound was dressed and bandaged whilst we were there we were informed about the arrival of other wounded persons. We saw Shree Bachubhai Patel who was mortally stabbed and who had immediately collapsed. We saw Shree Jadavji Girdhar who was in a critical condition. We also saw two others who were seriously injured. Sirdar then cancelled the morning programme due to the uncertainties of the situation and drove straight to the residence of his host. There was no policeman with his car after he left the procession. There was no question of 'Police protection.'

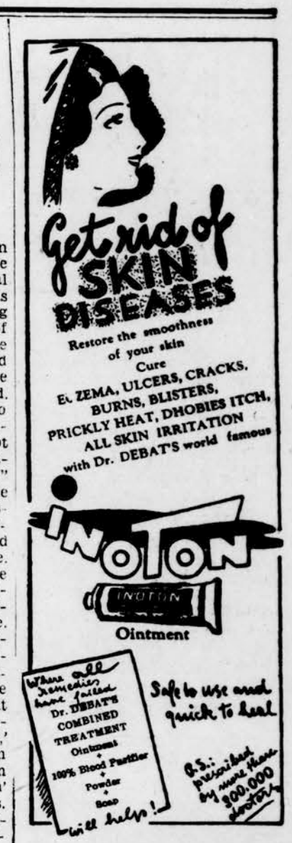
From all enquiries from eye-witnesses and from those who had received injuries we gathered that the procession was peacefully going along its appointed route. Half of it had passed the Nagina Mosque and the other half was slowly approaching it. While the leading citizens and workers in front of the President's car were passing near the Mosque, several Muslim "goondas" with lathis axes and knives, on receiving some sort of signal from one of them, rushed from the Mosque and fell upon the workers in mad fury. Several were injured, some of them seriously. One was killed. The police Superintendent who was present at the scene of occurrence at once took prompt measures for bringing the situation under control. 95 "goondas" were arrested from the mosque and its neighbourhood. The mosque was surrounded and a number of weapons was recovered from the reservoir of the mosque.

You will see from the above facts that you have been seriously misinformed and misled regarding the nature of this occurrence. There was no 'huge Muslim procession.' There was no 'Clash between this imaginary 'Muslim procession and a large crowd.' The procession was not Muslim, but it was citizens' Presidential procession. There was no 'large crowd,' but there was a sudden rush from several Muslim "goondas" from the mosque. There was no 'clash' between any two opposing parties. There was a premeditated one-sided attack upon a peaceful procession of the people.

You have commented on the 'Bhavnagar Riot' in your current topics of the 16th. I am painfully surprised that you try to justify the action of the Muslim "goondas" in your note. They cannot be all outsiders, there must be some local people involved in the deep laid plot. Amongst those arrested there are several local Mussalmans but whether outsiders or not, are they justified in taking law in their hands, attacking a peaceful procession, stabbing some and belabouring others? Your comments make sad reading atempting as you do to extenuate the mad crimes of the "goondas" who must have had their moorings somewhere in the city of Bhavnagar.

You talk of Sirdar Vallabhbhai Patel as an outsider. You must be aware that he attended in this city the third session of the Kathiawar Political Conference. You may also know that Mahatma Gandhiji presided over that Conference in this city nearly 14 years ago. They are leaders of Gujarat. They have been guiding and inspiring the Kathiawar workers for the last 20 years. Nothing of importance is being done without consulting them. They were not outsiders till now. How are they to be regarded as such now, while respected by bulk of the population, if some people choose to dislike their identification with a popular movement with which they are associated for the last so many years continuously? Everyone is at liberty to get the best guidance and advice available to him, but surely no one is free to indulge in violence to satisfy any whim of his own. Nor is a responsible journal like "The Times of India" justified in trying to condone such violence on the bolstered up pretext of 'outsiders'.

I hope, you will make proper amends at the earliest opportunity to the public of Bhawnagar for the wrong done to them in the mischievous stop-press telegram and in the abovementioned comments.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More About "Bari Didi"

NEW THEATRES FILM PRESENTS PORTRAIT OF A WIDOW

Reviewing a film some months ago in which a widow appeared as a side character I had wondered when some competent producer would devote a full-length picture to the study of the personal problem of a widow. New Theatres have done that in "Bari Didi," the fine film at Roxy.

SARAT CHATTERJI'S NOVEL.

Among other things, "Bari Didi" is notable for being a faithful adaptation of a novel by that famous Bengali author, the late Sarat Chandra Chatterji. Few other novels have been so well rendered on the screen, either in India or abroad. Those who have read the original tell me that the film closely follows the emotional and psychological pattern of the novel.

QUIET DIGNITY.

Disregarding the climax, the

MOLINA

who portrays a widow in "Bari Didi," New Theatres fine film at Roxy.

whole film maintains the quiet dignity which we have learnt to associate with an Indian widow. Her life, useful and active, has yet a serene greyness about it which is the essence of pathos. There are no blacks and whites, no conventional dramatic highlights, no jarring swings from heart-rending tragedy to hilarious comedy as so many popular melodramas have. There is no attempt to unnecessarily emphasize the tragedy of a widow's life. There is not a word of preaching, no one says "Poor widow, why shouldn't she marry?" That would have deprived the picture of its real beauty which lies in a subtle suggestion of infinite, life-long pathos.

UNSPOKEN INDICTMENT.

The widow is shown living in her father's house, managing everything in a competent unostentatious manner. Everyone depends on her for everything—father, brother, sister and servants. Into this placid household comes a new character—a highly intelligent, sensitive, scholarly young men who is engaged as a tutor for the little girl. In the course of time even he comes to depend on "Bari Didi" for all his needs, though they have hardly ever met face to face. She is impressed by his devotion to his studies, by his mild manners, by his helplessness in worldly matters. Does she love him? Perhaps she doesn't know herself—not until it is too late. She tries, tries desperately, to forget him, to get him out of her life and her thoughts. And thus the drama gains in intensity. Yet nothing is spoken. The fire smoulders on. Instinctively they know the futility of their dreams and seem resigned to their fate until chance intervenes and the final tragedy emerges, irresitably, inevitably,—an unspoken indictment against the ban on widow re-marriage.

FOR INTELLIGENT FILMGOER

Sanyal's superb portrayal provides a perfect foil for Molina who invests the role of the young widow with dignity and pathos.

So well do they act that one hardly notices that technically the picture does not come up to the usual New Theatres level. Amar Mullick's direction, though occasionally lacking in the finished polish of Nitin Bose, is a happy combination of the three leading New Theatres directors.

"Bari Didi" is a picture which no intelligent film-goer can afford to miss.

K. A. A.

P. JAIRAJ

who appears in "Farzand-e-Vatan," a Prakash picture.

MR. CHANDULAL SHAH HONOURED

Mr. Chandulal Shah, to whom a great deal of the credit went for the celebrations in Bombay of the silver jubilee of the film industry in India, was honoured at a reception given by the persons connected with the film industry and the stall-holders of the exhibition in the grounds of the Indian Motion Picture Exhibition on Saturday.

A large gathering was present and Sir Rahimtoola Chinoy presided. An address was presented on behalf of the traders.

Mr. Shah expressed his conviction that in the next few years Indian films would improve both in quality and in quantity.

Sir Rahimtoola Chinoy paid a tribute to Mr. Shah's efforts and emphasized the value of holding such exhibitions as a means of popularizing India's films.

Kumar, Dixit and Charlie in "Thakar," Ranjit film at West End.

Sheikh Mukhtar, Banbasi and Anuradha in a striking scene from "The Only Way," Sagar film at Pathe.

And So This Is "The Only Way"

(By Our Film Critic)

I recommend every one to see Sagar's "The Only Way," for what it is———and for what it might have been! Its weaknesses are as noteworthy as its virtues.

Personally, I happened to be prejudiced in favour of the picture throughout. It presents, perhaps, for the first time in India, the life of a new class of people —people who are Indians and yet torn away from the age-old cultural traditions of their country, children of the slums, drifting aimlessly through a life of privations and desperate uncertainty. Essentially they belong to no country, no religion, no caste. They are the products of capitalist industry, same everywhere. They call them 'apaches' in Paris, 'mawalis' in Bombay. I don't know if it was done consciously but it was symbolically appropriate that the principal characters were dressed in western rags. This class owes no allegiance to India even in its costume! Constant privations have deprived them of all veneer of patriotism, traditional honour, virtue and sentiment. And yet they, with their native sceptism, and practical common sense, have rugged qualities of their own which are all the more commendable, as they are shorn of any hypocrisy or vanity. I am glad an Indian producer at least made an effort to depict their life on the screen.

Pacifist Sentiment

I, a pacifist, was naturally thrilled to hear robust anti-war sentiments flung in burning words from the screen—"This is not our war, why should we go to be killed?"...."At your bidding I killed hundreds of people against whom I had no grievance. You gave me medals and covered me with honour. And now you hang me for killing only one man! Is this justice?" .....And those inspiring words of the condemned man: "The greatest crime is to suffer injustice." Here was the right stuff to gladden the heart of everyone who hates war and resents injustice and, no wonder, I was in a mood to like the picture and to praise it.

But my enthusiasm was damped by a friend sitting next to me. He loudly anticipated each dialogue—for he had seen "Seventh Heaven" five times and knew it by heart! Ever since "Thief of Baghdad" blatantly became "Bandit of Baghdad" and "Cardinal Richelieu" was subtly turned into "Baghi Sipahi," this seemed to me the biggest piece of plagiarism emblazoned on the Indian screen. I would have thought after palming off "The Amazing Quest of Mr. Ernest Bliss" in the guise of "Three Hundred Days And After," Mr. Babubhai Mehta would give us at least one original story for a change. But, no, he must go and aspire to "Seventh Heaven." But was this "The Only Way?" Scene after scene, dialogue after dialogue, stair-case after stair-case! Only the Church became a temple. Any moment I expected Arun and Anuradha to remove their respective masks and reveal themselves to be James Stewart and Simone Simon.

In their own interests, I hope, the Sagar executives will not allow this kind of thing to be repeated in future. I am not much concerned with the ethics of the matter. Nor do I wish to make hair-splitting distinctions between "borrowing an idea," "adaptation" and "plagiarism." Call it by whatever name, I deplore it.

I deplore it, principally, because in this process of translating a story of Catholic propaganda (set in the background of Paris slums) into an omnibus treatise on religion, war, love, friendship, crime and unemployment, it has become an unmanagable hotch-potch lacking in dramatic unity. On the basic structure of "Seventh Heaven" has been imposed an unnecessary storm scene in the beginning (strongly reminiscent of "Count of Montecristo"), the inevitable songs of the Indian films; the equally inevitable dance; an alleged comedy sequence in the office of the Registrar of Marriages which should definitely be cut out as it spoils an otherwise clean film; scene of a car being lifted on the back (shades of "Les Miserables"!); a number of villains including a step-mother who occasionally and inscrutably make their entrances and exits and a reel or two of war scenes.

Mangoo, the giant pick-pocket alone stands out for excellent characterization. The character of Sitara, the girl who quietly loved the monster, was essentially full of pathos but should have been given more scope. As for "The Only Way" motif, I think Mr Babubhai Mehta is an optimist and hopes to prove the existence of God by such flimsy evidence. Indeed, the arguments that were adduced in the earlier sequences against belief in a divine super-being ..... hunger, poverty and war—remained unanswered until the end. The scenarist had obviously overreached himself when he took up such a great theme and sat down to write "the most absorbing human drama of all ages."

Triumph For Technicians

Such was the far from perfect material with which Director Mahboob started to make this film. Taking into consideration the limitations of story and scenario, I think he has made a good job of it. Indeed, "The Only Way" is in many respects a triumph for Sagar technicians. It is their best photographed picture and, as usual, Fareedoon Irani has excelled himself in cooperation with Mahboob. Even processing has distinctly improved this time. Painstaking effort seems to have been taken to create special effects and both the ship-wreck and the war scenes have been very competently handled. Mahboob is at his best in such scenes. Camera angles which are, on the whole, commendably original sometimes become too 'arty' and angular, tending to give the effect of Photographic Exhibition poses. The back-projection shots were a bit of a failure—better luck next time.

The music—by Anil Biswas—is generally good, sometimes splendid, but the tunes of some songs (e. g. the one in the temple) did not sound appropriate. In a picture of this type there should be fewer songs.

"Without Stars"

Mahboob's work in "The Only Way" is most notable and praiseworthy for his bold decision to try out fresh talent. "The Pic-

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NORMA SHEARER

who is starred in "Idiot's Delight," shown from to-day at Metro.

BOMBAY FILM DIARY

CAPITOL: Prabhat's "Amrit Manthan" revived.

CENTRAL: "Baji Prabhu Deshpande," historical film in Marathi, featuring Balasaheb Yadav Ganpat, Bakre, Sharda, Nurjehan, etc.

IMPERIAL: "Sitara," Everest Pictures maiden production, starring Ratan Bai, Khurshed, Nazir, etc. Brilliant musical direction by Rafiq Ghaznavi make it excellent entertainment. (Fifth week).

KRISHNA: "Dushman," New Theatres fine film, starring Saigal Leela Desai and Najmal Husain. Outstanding current release. Fine songs by Saigal. (14th week).

LAMINGTON: "Jungle King," Wadia's "jungle thriller" featuring Pramila and John Cavas. (Eighth week). Also topical newsreel of Gandhiji in Delhi.

MAJESTIC: "Brandichi Batli," Huns picture in Marathi. Starring Minakshi and Mavlankar. Amusing Instructive. Well-produced. (Second week).

PATHE: "The Only Way", Sagar film. (See review on the page).

OPERA HOUSE: 'Mother India" second Indian colour film, glorifying Indian motherhood. Sentimental appeal for women. Featuring Sharifa, Ghulam Mohd. Pramila, Sushila, etc. (18th week).

ROXY: New Theatres' "Bari Didi". Fine drama. Splendid acting by Sanyal and Molina.

WEST END: "Thakar," Ranjit's new film starring Kumar Madhuri, Ishwarlal, etc. Good Sentimental story with popular appeal. Good acting by principal players. (Third week).

"STUDIO SPY" REPORTS ON

Devika Rani's New Film

STORY OF "DURGA"...BARUA'S AND NITIN BOSE'S NEW FILMS

Here is good news. Devika Rani's new film "Durga" is fast nearing completion at the Bombay Talkies studios.

In this film which is expected to be released early in July, she will be appearing after almost a year Her last picture was "Vachan."

The Bombay Talkies executives confidently believe "Durga" (written by Saradindu Bannerji) to be the best vehicle they have yet been able to offer her.

The story which I reproduce below from the Bombay Talkies bulletin certainly looks promising.

GIRL OR FIEND?

Durga, a girl still in her early teens. But is she a girl or a fiend? Her neighbours thought the latter. But—judge her not too harshly. Her mother had died of cruel poverty, and the soul of Durga had revolted against Society. Her pranks were in the nature of reprisals Also she had her pet kid Bahadur to feed. So what will you have?

But society is too strong for the little rebel. Her home is burned down over her head. She would have been destitute but for the hard-boiled money-lender Makkhanlal (played by Mr. Vishnupant Aundhkar of "Sawkari Pash" fame).

DEVIKA RANI

as she appears in "Durga," Bombay Talkies new film under production.

A middle aged widower, Makkhanlal comes to the village to collect his dues, and he finds Durga a dainty morsel. He takes Durga away with him; and thus begins a new life for both of them. Durga is the touch-stone that changes Makkhan; from a skinflint he becomes a normal humane man. And he falls deeply in love with her. As for Durga, her heart too awakes to tender emotions. But for whom? Not for the rich middle aged widower. There was some one else.

There was Jawahar the youthful doctor who had been kind to her mother; who had been almost a playmate to her. As she grows up into a woman, the image of Jawahar begins to haunt her in her dreams. Like a flower, her heart opens to a new sweetness.

Her old village begins to call her. For not only was there Jawahar but also Pagla a sweet soul who sang and danced his way through life And it happened one day that Pagla set out to look for his little mother Durga.

The final denouement of the story comes swiftly and inevitably. It tells of how a woman who loves would give up everything for her love; it also shows how a reformed man would make the supreme sacrifice for the beloved little woman who had taught him the meaning of love. And so the journey's end is reached with lovers uniting in the strongest of earthly bonds—marriage.

GOOD SUPPORTING CAST.

The supporting cast includes Rama Shukul and Hansa (fresh from their success in "Nav Jeevan"). Mumtaz Ali, V. H. Desai, Saroj Borkar, Pithawala and Vishnupant Aundhkar (whose performance in "Savkari Pash" is still remembered).

I Hear

That Snehprabha Pradhan, well-known in amateur music and dance circles, until recently a student of the Grant Medical College

EIBBCO & NAYAMPALI

a "The Mill," Bhavnani production which, banned some years ago, has now been certified and will be shown at Imperial.

—who presided last year at the U. P. Students Conference, has joined the Sagar Movietone and will be appearing in their forthcoming productions

That following Prabhat's "Maza Mulga," Saraswati Cinetone are producing "Mazi Ladki."

That Director Nitin Bose has completed his "Sapera" (Snake Charmer).

That Barua's new film is "Rajat Jyanti," and,

That Nitin Bose has started on Bengali version of "Dushman" with Lila Desai and Bhanu Banerji.

Marathi Film At Central

One of the pictures released last week is "Baji Prabhu Deshpande," the Maharashtra Pictures production which is shown at Central.

It is a Marathi film based on one of the well-known incidents from the career of Shivaji. A spy story is worked into the film which is full of exciting war scenes.

The cast includes Balasaheb Yadav, Ganpat Bakre, Sharda, Nurjehan, etc.

A scene from "Baji Prabhoo Deshpande," a Marathi film, at Central.

Our Readers' Views

Triumph Of The Literacy Campaign

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—As one interested in the cause of adult education in the city, I have been during the course of the last two months keeping myself informed about the genesis of the Bombay Literacy Campaign Committee, its progress and its achievements. And so I feel called upon to answer certain statements made by the "Rover" in the "Times of India", dated 18th May.

Evidently "Rover" has not been in touch with the facts nor would it have been possible for any one in touch with the working of the Literacy Scheme to have made such statements. I would not have cared to correct or contradict "Rover" for I am sure, if he is true unto himself, he would admit that it is nothing but mischievous pleasure that has made him rush to the Press.

The main charge is that the Communists and their friends enrolled themselves as workers in the cause of literacy, pay frequent visits to the Chawls, convert the classes into centres of Communist propaganda and are trying to make the workers class-conscious and proficient in Communism and Class War. If these allegations have got even a far off touch of truth, it is a matter which the Government and the public should immediately look into.

The Bombay Literacy Campaign Committee has for its President, the Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, the Chairman Dewan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri, and for its Vice-Presidents Mr. B. N. Karanjia, the Mayor of Bombay, Lady Cowasji Jehangir, Mrs. Hansa Mehta, Mrs. Shuffi Tyebji, Mr. Bhulabhai J. Desai, Mr. R. P. Masani, Mr. M. D. Bhat, the Municipal Commissioner and the Chairman, Municipal Schools Committee. Even by a wide of strength of one's imagination one cannot be persuaded to believe that any of the persons above-named would associate themselves with the kind of propaganda that is alleged to have been carried on and is being carried on at the various centres. The Provincial Board for Adult Education has appointed a Committee called the Bombay Adult Education Committee for the promotion of adult education in the city and suburbs of Bombay. At the instance and with the collaboration of this Committee the Social Service League, Bombay, has decided to carry on a Literacy Campaign during the month of May and a Committee called the Bombay Literacy Campaign Committee has been appointed. Not a single one of the above-mentioned organisations is a body with leanings towards the Communistic tendencies. Regarding the membership on the various committees, it is but natural to expect people of varying shades of political thought and ideology. The doors of the Committee were open wide to all who were willing to co-operate in this noble venture. No one was barred from becoming a member because he belonged to a particular group in politics, in labour or because he belonged to a particular faith or community. Congressmen, Communists, Socialists, Liberals, Loyalists, Parsis, Hindus, Muslims, Christians, people belonging to the various professions, businessmen and students—in fact all are found in the list of workers in the campaign. The only test and qualification necessary to become a member was willingness to work for removing illiteracy. At a meeting of Organisers and others actively interested in the Campaign, held at the Secretariat, presided over by Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, the popular Premier of Bombay, he expressed his great satisfaction and congratulated the Organisers on having been able to get the willing co-operation of all parties, from the Muslim Leaguer to the Ardent Sanatanist in the Committee.

Now regarding the charge that literacy centres are being turned into centres of Communist propaganda, it is a matter which cannot stand even a superficial examination. It is not untrue that there are amongst the Organisers people interested in improving the lot of the labouring classes, but they are there, not because they belong to any special school of thought in politics or labour but that because of their contact with the masses they have been able to get a good number of the unfortunate illiterates to these classes. And instead of thanking them for helping the public, it is very unfair to frame a charge-sheet against them.

The Campaign Committee has, I reliably understand a retinue of Superintendents and Supervisors to go round the classes and supervise the work done by the teachers. It cannot be thought that the classes are not being supervised as there is one supervisor for a group of five classes. Each ward has got its own Superintendent and over all the Superintendents is the Superintendent-General, Mr. R. V. Parulekar, the Secretary of the Municial Schools Committee is the Superintendent-General and he is being helped by a band of very nearly one hundred Superintendents and Supervisors—most of them being men and women connected with the educational department and the teaching profession, amongst the Superintendent could be mentioned the names of Principals of some of the leading progressive schools in Bombay like—The Fellowship School, Chikitsa Samonal School, The Bhatia High School, Aryan Education Society High School, R. M. Bhatt High School, Chabildas High School, Shett Amersey High School, Andheri. Is it not too much to think that these gentlemen who are all prominent in the educational world of Bombay would allow their classes to be ruthlessly exploited for Communist propaganda as suggested by the "Rover".

The Social Service League which came into the field and took upon itself a work which even a popular Government could not undertake all these days deserves all praise. And lastly it is very unfair to suggest that a Social Worker of the type of Godavari Gokhale who is all eyes and ears would allow the organisation to be exploited for Communist propaganda.—Yours etc.,

K. G. VAIDYANATHAN.

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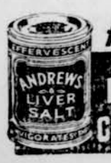

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Benefits Of Prohibition

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Prohibition, one of the most enterprising social reforms to be introduced in the city and suburbs of Bombay on August 1, will remain a landmark in the history of mankind. It will make the inhabitants of this city realise the benefits that will accrue to the people by a National Government being in power. It will also show to the world what a National Government can do for its people if it had the power to do all it wanted. People will feel morally bound to co-operate with Government in implementing its policy. It is only in the best interests of the people that the Congress Government of Bombay is prepared to forego 140 lakhs of rupees. It wants to purge the city of the drink evil. The anxiety of the Ministry to enforce Prohibition is made all the more keen as a result of a few mischief-mongers who are responsible for rowdyism and gangster methods to overawe the authorities. Government will not and should not be deterred by such unworthy and mischievous activities. Such activities only emphasise the need for enforcing Prohibition. The condition of the masses cannot be improved unless the main spring of evil is removed once for all. The Government is not deterred by any demonstrations and anti-prohibition activities of some of the interested parties. Because of its policy of tolerance and of non-interference in religious matters Government has decided to give a few spoon-fulls of liquor, if it is shown that it is actually indispensable for religious observances. It is, therefore, inexplicable why some people (Responsible?) are supporting the gang of mischief mongers. They only follow the satanic tradition. When he revolted against God, satan was able to persuade some angels to support. Similarly the mischief-mongers seem to have got the support of some responsible gentlemen.

It is high time that the people in general distinguished between right and wrong, good and evil. Why should not the public of Bombay wholeheartedly co-operate with Government and present a solid front against the few mischief-mongers and prove that they are in favour of Prohibition? They should get over their apathy and disinterestedness. By resorting to underhand methods of making their opposition felt, the Anti-Prohibitionists only lose the support they seek to get from the general public. Not only that; they make themselves a nuisance to the public and it is the duty of the Government to take immediate steps to bring sanity home to those few who support such gangster methods.—Yours, etc.,

"A DISGUSTED MUSLIM".

Tax On Commonsense Crossword Puzzles

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—To-day's "Illustrated Weekly of India" contains a protest against the imposition of a tax on the so-called Commonsense Crossword Puzzles. The editor is angry for, according to him, nowhere in the world is a tax levied on such puzzles, and secondly because he desires that a line of demarcation ought to have been drawn by the Bombay Government between the puzzles of skill and the puzzles of chance. He also quotes the opinion of a High Court Judge to show that the Commonsense Puzzles are a game of skill.

The real feeling underlying this protest is in fact, the editor's opposition to the Prohibition policy of the Bombay Government. This policy has been approved by an overwhelming majority of inhabitants and therefore it is futile to go into its merits. But there is no doubt that it is bound to prove a blessing in the long run for the whole province.

As regards the point that such puzzles are not subjected to any tax in the whole world, I submit that it may be true, and I do not want to challenge its authenticity. But there are so many things which are done or tolerated in India, although nowhere in the world such things are done or tolerated. To take one instance, the abnormally high scales of pay and allowances paid to the I.C.S. people in India can find no parallel anywhere in the world. Yet it is the order of the day in this country. There are so many other things of this type, but I do not want to dabble in politics. As to the suggestion that the Commonsense Crossword Puzzles are a game of skill, I venture to submit that they seem to be so outwardly, but the very fact that one or two or four persons get the "coveted" prizes out of thousands of entrants (the exact number is however not known to any outsider), is a proof of the fact that it is wholly a game of chance. When there are invariably 8 or 10 or more alternatives in each competition which is always cleverly arranged, it is untrue to say that the puzzles are a game of skill. The learned Judge has not entered the competition himself, otherwise he would not have expressed in the way he has done. The opinion of a very large number of entrants is, however, this that the so-called Commonsense Crossword Puzzles are neither based on skill nor on commonsense. The editor of the "Illustrated Weekly" will admit that after all these puzzles are a luxury and like all other luxuries they should be taxed. The time may come when even the entrants will have to pay a tax like all those who go to see the races or the pictures.—Yours, etc.,

"COMMONSENSE."

Bombay, May 14.

Domestic Servants' Union

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—While applauding the zeal and courage of the two leaders, Messrs Kitchener D'Costa and Charley Baptista in forming the much-longed for Domestic Servants' Union, one could only wish the two young men success in their honourable task of serving their helpless countrymen.

Further, as a majority of the domestic servants in the city are Goans—forming the bulk of the poorer Goans in Bombay—it would be wise if Messrs Kitchener D'Costa and Charley Baptista would fight for membership on the Goan Emigration Fund Committee.

The Goan Emigration Fund Committee proclaim that they are helping poorer Goans—Here is the opportunity to prove their talk by having the two leaders of the Domestic Servants' Union on the Committee.—Yours, etc.,

Miss SHEILA FERNS.

Mahim.

Anti-Gandhi Propaganda

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—By way of a reaction to some ugly propaganda, I am submitting the following for publication in your paper:—

On the 9th May 1939, Mr. A. K. Pillay, Bar-at-Law, of Madras delivered a lecture in Belgaum (under the auspices of the Vasant Vyakhyan Mala) on "The Congress and the States". As one of the interested audience I was wonderstruck to see the learned barrister, a respectable and responsible person, resorting to wilful misinterpretation and misrepresentation of facts, a foul weapon often wielded by party-propagandists.

Narrating the Travancore events, he said that Sir C. P. flew to Bombay to meet Sardar Patel; the latter, after this meeting, told some thing to Gandhiji, who thereupon pressed the State leaders to withdraw the "memorandum". The speaker further said that Gandhiji intervened uninvitedly at a critical moment and made the States people loose every thing when they were able to secure all they wanted. I don't know from where this "secret" news of the meeting of Sir C. P. and the Sardar has come to Mr. Pillay. Even the bitterest Press enemies of the Sardar have never published it and yet it is claimed to be a "fact". Perhaps fact and fancy have recently learned to merge the difference between them! Mr. Pillay is said to be a leader of the Travancore agitation, I don't know. But other leaders like Shris. Thanu Pillay, Ramchandran, etc., do not appear to think that Mahatmaji's intervention has been detrimental to their cause and has deprived them of victory.

Mr. Pillay, concluding, said that "The Gandhian Policy has failed". When the battle is still going on and everybody is conscious of our having gained much more ground than before Mahatmaji's advent, one can't understand the meaning of the cry "Gandhian Policy has Failed". If it had failed the nation would have pulled Gandhiji aside. But the nation knows what worth Mahatmaji and his policy are and no such attempts of misrepresentation on the part of Khares, Narimans and Pillays will be successful.—Yours, etc.,

M. N. KULKARNI.

Belgaum.

Mercenary Schools

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Several of our secondary schools are run on commercial basis and the fees fixed bear no relation to the legitimate expenditure and reasonable remuneration the persons running the schools may be entitled to. This state of affairs merits speedy remedy. Education is the primary function of a good Government, but when that function is left to the care of private enterprise the Government should see that its catering does not become prohibitory for its recipients and the persons responsible for it do not exploit the situation.—Yours, etc.,

SARABHAI DALAL.

New Income-Tax Act And (Bombay) Press Notices

To The Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—The question of Jurisdiction is an important factor in Income-Tax proceedings and, as long as it is shrouded in darkness or uncertainty, it is not competent for any of the Income-Tax Officers contending the issue to proceed even an inch in the direction of Assessment. The Jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Income-Tax (Central) or of the Income-Tax Officers under his direct Control is a matter of a contingency and as such, neither the Commissioner of Income-Tax (Central) nor the Income-Tax Officers under his control are competent to call for voluntary returns, they having no settled Jurisdiction whatever as to the territory or at least even to a particular number of cases or classess of cases, pending an Assignment arising from such a contingency. A definite Assignment is a condition precedent for putting the machinery of Central Section into motion in respect of those assigned cases or classes of cases only. When a definite number of cases or classes of cases are assigned to the Commissioner of Income-Tax (Central) and then, in turn, to one of the Income-Tax Officers aforesaid, it is competent for the latter to call for voluntary returns, but by this process the purpose of voluntary returns may not be adequately served.

From an administrative point of view, it is by far the better to ask the original Income-Tax officer himself, who has got a settled Jurisdiction as to a specified area under the Statute, to call for voluntary returns as well as to issue individual notices under Section 22 (2) wherever necessary and then simply to hand over any or all of the cases under his Jurisdiction, as and when occasions arises and at any stage of the Income-Tax Proceedings, to the Commissioner of Income-Tax (Central) under the express orders of the Central Board of Revenue as to such Assignment, in which case, it is only left for the Central Section to proceed with the work straightaway, the other spade work having been already done by the original Income-Tax Officer himself. A Note to this effect "The Jurisdiction is subject to an Assignment, at any stage of the Income-Tax proceedings, of any or all of the Cases under my charge to the Commissioner of Income-Tax (Central) under the express orders of the Central Board of Revenue, under Section 5 (2) of the Amended Income-Tax Act" may be made in the Press Notices in place of the one already existing.—Yours etc.

"INCOME-TAX SPECIALIST".

Khot-Tenant Tension In Ratnagiri

PEASANTS WILLING TO PAY GOVT. DUES

DEOGAD, May 22.

A grave situation, which unless handled in good time, might lead to a crisis enveloping the whole of the Ratnagiri and Kolaba Districts, is fast developing here.

The tension is due to the struggle between Khots and tenants on the question of paying rents which has now culminated in a full-fledged non-payment of rents campaign in five villages.

In the course of the next month the whole district may be involved.

The root of the trouble lies in the excessive rains which the district experienced last year when a considerable portion of the crops was washed away or otherwise ruined.

The Government appointed the Circle Officer to investigate into the extent of damage done, and the grievance of the tenants is that the estimate is far below what it should be. To justify this claim the tenants are prepared to prove the contention before any impartial inquiry committee.

In order to avoid embarassing a popular Government like that of the Congress the tenants have offered to pay in full all the Government and local fund dues. All that they want is that they should be left to themselves in their struggle with the Khots and that Government should not take sides one way or the other.

NOTICE TO KISAN SANGH

Government officials, however, refuse to take a neutral attitude and demand that full dues of the Khots should be paid Coercive processes to recover the dues have already started and even articles which are protected under the Smallholders Relief Act passed by the Congress Government are reported to have been attached. Only the other day such an attachment was carried out in the case of one Janoo Sabha Dhond in spite of the protest of the whole village. Similar struggle is going on in the villages of Kurvala, Chaphed, Bharni, etc.,

Another complaint of the tenants is that though Government have given a reduction of two annas in a rupee to the Khots or superior holders and though they have laid it down that this remission should be transferred in full to the tenants, the Khots have refused to carry out Government orders and no remission is granted to the tenants.

The justice of the tenants' claim is proved by the fact that one of the Khots has, on his own initiative, written to the Kisan Union foregoing all his dues from the tenants.

The Kisan Union has submitted a memorandum to the Revenue Minister giving in details the position and grievances of the tenants.

Saxena's Mission For Simla

LUCKNOW, May 23.

Mr. Mohanlal Saxena, M.L.A (Central) left for Simla to-day, where he will meet Mr. Manoharlal, the Punjab Minister for Finance and Jails, in connection with the release of Dr. Gaya Prasad of the Lahore conspiracy case.

Dr. Gaya Prasad is now lying in a precarious condition in the Balrampur hospital.—United Press

KARACHI.—The Sind Legislative Assembly is meeting on June 1 for a fortnight. During this brief session most of the official business will be done through.

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"THE ONLY WAY"

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ture Without Stars" was after all no empty publicity stunt. Sagar have redeemed this pledge to make new stars in this picture. Here they are, in order of merit.

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ANURADHA—Didn't I see her in "Mother India?" Anyway, she is another good artiste, most suitable for unsophisticated girlish roles. It would be fatal, however, to glamorize her.

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It is evident that Mahboob has not tried to cast all these people in the same mould but has given them scope for individual performance, in his or her own characteristic way. This is as should be. By taking such good work out of a batch of new-comers, Mahboob has vindicated his directorial talent.

If this picture succeeds, as it ought to, the established stars drawing fat salaries had better look to their laurels.

K. A. ABBAS.

NORMA SHEARER AT METRO

"Idiot's Delight" Opens To-day

The complete destruction of a great city by an air raid during a "future war" is graphically pictured in "Idiot's Delight," which comes to-day to the Metro Theatre.

Not a fanciful version of such a raid, the sequence of bombing scenes is technically perfect, according to Director Clarence Brown, a graduate engineer and war-time flying instructor, who holds a transport pilot's license.

"The bombing episode was not written into the script merely for the sensation it will create," he said. "It is a definite part of the story. From official records of the terror and devastation caused by modern aerial warfare, we have attempted to give motion picture audiences a clear and vivid insight into what war from the sky means."

Many of the actual bombing scenes for the picture, which co-stars Norma Shearer and Clark Gable, were made on Brown's 320-acre ranch, thirty-five miles from Hollywood, where huge charges of powder could be exploded without danger.

Brown, who has made a hobby of aviation, believes the bombing shots will be among the most grimly realistic ever brought to the screen. "They were terrifying even to make," he said.

BOMBAY PLEADER IN CAR ACCIDENT

(From Our Correspondent)
BIJAPUR, May 23.

Mr. R. A. Jahagirdar Government pleader Bombay who came on a private visit to Bijapur was returning to Bombay by a motor car when the vehicle which was going at full speed fell on its side near Telsang about 20 miles from Bijapur. His wife, daughter, driver and a boy received minor injuries.

The party returned to Bijapur by service motor.

Under the auspices of the Janjira State Peoples' Union a public meeting was held at Lower Parel on Sunday evening. Photo shows Siddi Mohamed, President addressing the meeting.

Terrific City Blaze

Firemen Battle With Flames In Grilling Heat

BOMBAY, TUESDAY.

In a crowded locality at Khadak Bazar more than 64 firemen battled against flames and smoke in grilling heat for an hour and a half, to-day.

The building which housed two shops and a godown was completely gutted.

The building rose almost immediately on the walls of two huge buildings on either sides.

One of the two shops in the building was a coir-shop and the other an eating-house. In the rear, the coir-godown was situated.

The first alarm was reported to have been given by the employees of the coir-shop. The adjoining coir-shop, on the left, was immediately closed.

When the fire-engines dashed to the spot, fire had rapidly travelled from the rear to the front. Flames were shooting to a height of 100 feet, high on the tops of the two huge adjoining buildings. The tiles of the doomed building cracked and spluttered; the locality was darkened with plumes of powerful smoke.

The residential quarters on the rear and on the sides seemed threatened.

Situated as it was, the building looked like a blazing brasier. Panic-stricken residents rushed pell-mell and two men, almost trapped on the top-floor of the building on the left, shrieked and shouted, as the huge tongues of flames licked the walls and penetrated through the windows.

A huge concourse of people watched the fire on the street. The police had to draw cordons and keep the crowds back.

Mr. Singh, the chief officer-in-charge of the fire brigades and Sergeant Finan of the Palton Road Police, on hearing, that two men were trapped in a room, rushed to the top floor of the building, smashed open the doors and rescued them.

The fire-men put up ladders on the walls, scaled them and fought the flames from the rear and the front. Rafters, burning tatch and heated tiles were pulled out from what looked to be a couldron of fire, as some fire-men laid hoses and sprayed water on the shooting flames from the road-side, on to the front.

The fire was localised within an hour. But at the end, the building was a blackend shell. The walls of the adjoining buildings were scorched. But the godown was saved.

The origin of the fire is not known and the Pydhonie Police are making inquiries.

Property is stated to be covered by insurance.

Total damage is estimated at Rs. 12,000.

The owner of the building, is Yusuf Ali Sheikh Adam, a contractor. The coir-shop and godown were owned by Abdul Khadar Mohommedali and the tea-shop belonged to Lakhamsey Velji.

Till 2 p.m. the fire-men were busy extinguishing the flames.

Kolhapur People's Conference Treasurer Jailed

MIRAJ, May 23.

The Treasurer of the Kolhapur States People's Conference was convicted this morning under the Criminal Law Amendment Act, and sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 1,000.—United Press.

Bombay fire-brigade men battling with blaze on Tuesday morning at Musjid Bunder, when a building housing a tea-shop was completely gutted.

Jail Reform In Bharatpur

Segregation Of Politicals: Better Food And Other Facilities

BHARATPUR, May 20

The Council of State, Bharatpur, has decided that all political prisoners sentenced under the State Criminal Law Amendment Act shall be segregated from other prisoners and shall not be fettered or hand-cuffed or given work in jail except by way of punishment. Their diet will consist of milk, wheat, dal, vegetables, ghee, and sugar subject to a maximum cost of annas five per head per day, and they are permitted to do their own cooking if they so desire.

They will be supplied with a pair of shirts, a pair of dhootis or pyjamas, a tikonia, a cap, a bed-sheet, a pillow, a pillow case, soap and a pair of towels; and brass or aluminium (which is cheaper) thali, lota, katora and tumbler. They will be permitted to retain their hair and beards or can shave daily and put on caste-marks. They will be allowed a Hindi weekly paper selected from approved list and can receive and write letters once a week. Interviews will be allowed once a month subject to ordiniry rules.—United Press.

MORE SATYAGRAHIS JAILED

BHARATPUR, May 20

The trial of 20 persons arrested in connection with the Satyagraha movement concluded, inside the jail at Sewer and fifteen of them, including Thakur Deshraj of the Prajamandal have been sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment.

Mr. Faquir Chand, another leader was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment on a charge of having permitted the premises owned by him to be used for the office of the Prajamandal.—United Press

More Arrests At Indore

Hartal Continues: Govt. Shops Selling Foodstuffs At Cheap Prices

INDORE, May 23.

His Highness the Maharaja has ordered the opening of Government shops in different localities in the City for selling foodstuffs at cheap prices.

The Government are purchasing grain and other goods brought by cultivators which are remaining unsold due to the hartal. The Prime Minister has been authorised to commandeer all motor lorries and buses for the transport of goods.

Two more persons Kanhaiyalal Khadiwale and Bhagirath, President of the Grain Merchants' Association have been arrested.—A. P.

'PHONE CALL FOR TWO PICE?

KARACHI, May 22.

A telephone call from public telephones for two pice was urged by the Karachi Municipal Corporation at their meeting held under the presidency of Mr. R. K. Sidhwa, Mayor.

A resolution to that effect was passed and forwarded to the Bombay Telephone Company whose present charge is two annas per call.

It was also suggested in the resolution that telephone call offices be increased in the city for the convenience of the public.—United Press.

Thunder-rain In Bengal & Bihar

POONA, May 23.

The western disturbance is affecting the extreme north. Local thunderrain occurred in Assam, Bengal, Bihar and Mysore. A few thundershowers also occurred in southeast Madras.

The chief amounts of rainfall are:—

Cherrapunji four inches, Burdwan one and half, Sibsagar Narayangarj one, Bogra Three-quarters, Tezpur, Purnea, Bangalore and Mysore half, Berhampore and Salem quarter.—A. P.

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CONGRESS MAJORITY IN NADIAD MUNICIPALITY

NADIAD, May 21.

The following gentlemen have been elected to the Nadiad Municipality of whom 15 are Congressmen in a House of 28 elected members:—

Sjt. Ramanlal Somabhai, (Congress); Sjt. Hagovandas Prabhudas Mistri, (Ind.); Sjt. Chimanlal Dughabhai Parmar, (Congress); Sjt. Dhulabhai Narsihbhai Patel, (Congress); Sjt. Shivaprasad Trikamlal Maheta, (Ind.); Sjt. Chimanlal Bhogilal Desai, (Congress); Sjt. Kalidas Kalyanbhai Patel, (Ind.); Sjt. Maganbhai Amathabhai Patel, (Congress); Sjt. Somabhai Fulabhai Bhathina, (Ind.); Sjt. Hiralal Kanjibhai Barot, (Congress); Sjt. Shantilal Nandlal Shah, (Ind.); Shrimati Kapilaben Chandulal Dalal, (Congress); Rao Bahadur Somabhai M. Shah, (Ind.); Sjt. Shantilal Chandulal Dalal (Congress); Sjt. Chandulal Ranchhoddas Modi, (Ind.); Sjt. Vahalabhai Chamar, (Congress); Sjt. Rambhai Talshibhai Desai, (Congress); Sjt. Ranchhoddas Chunilal Shah, (Congress); Sjt. Kalidas Vithaldas Shah, (Ind.); Sjt. Jivanlal Keshavlal Parikh, (Congress); Sjt. Balubhai Harishanker Bhatt, (Ind.); Sjt. Jethabhai Bhulabhai Shingala, (Ind.); Sjt. Parbhudas Vahaldas Baladhi, (Ind.); Sjt. Chandulal Rambhai Desai, (Congress); Sjt. Chhaganbhai Kashibhai Desai, (Ind.); Sjt. Thakorbhai Purushottamdas Desai, (Ind.); Sjt. Chunibhai Umedbhai Patel, (Congress); and Sjt. Somabhai Nathabhai Solanki, (Congress).

SEARCH FOR SEVEN STUPAS

PATNA, May 19. (By Mail).

A search for the seven stupas that are believed to have existed in the neighbourhood of Jaimangal Gadh, an ancient fortress now in ruins 12 miles north of Begusarain in North, Bihar, is being made by Rev. M. Dhammarakhita, Siamese Buddhist monk and scholar.

Rev. Dhammarakhita recently visited the ruins of Jaimangal Gadh and saw some coins and human skulls that a priest of a neighbouring temple has collected from rain washings of the fort.

The monk-scholar who is at present engaged in collecting materials for a book on the ancient history of the Chandravansa and Surajvansa, two ancient tribes, is likely to visit the site again in winter.—A. P.

CHRISTIANS OFFER SATYAGRAHA

Protest Against Auctioning Of Methodist Church Land

CAWNPORE, May 23.

About 600 Indian Methodis. Christians offered satyagraha today near the Methodist Church in Civil Lines when the Churchland belonging to the American Methodist Mission was put up for auction under the direction of Reverend Fawcellt, the Methodist Chaplain.

The Christians contend that the Churchland should be utilised for the benefit of Christians and should not be disposed of on a commercial basis.

It is stated that the Christians offered to purchase the land on a co-operative basis but the mission authorities considered the price too low for the auction was finally abandoned.—A. P.

KOLABA YOUTHS' CONFERENCE

To Be Held At Mahad On May 30 And 31

(From Our Correspondent)
ALIBAG, May 23

The Kolaba District Youth Conference is to be held at Mahad on May 30 and 31 over which either Mr. Achyut Patwardhan or his elder brother Mr. Purshottam alias Rausaheb Patwardhan will preside. The Chairman of the Reception Committee is Mr. Bhaisaheb Mehta, a progressive writer of Mahad. The fees for the Reception Committee and delegation have been fixed at Re. 1 and eight annas.

KOLABA BOARD CONGRESS PARTY

Election Of Office-bearers

(From Our Correspondent)
ALIBAG, May 23

Members of the Kolaba District Board, elected on the Congress ticket and the Election Sub-Committee met at the house of Mr. R. B. Raut in Bombay on Sunday, to elect office-bearers. All elections were unanimous.

Mr. A. M. Atavne, M.L.C., was elected leader. Mr. B. V. Jadhav, Deputy Leader, Messrs A. V. Tendulkar and T. N. Bedekar, whips and Messrs. S. G. Raut and K. A. Daoor Secretaries. Mr. N. M. Dharkar, present President of the Board was suggested for leadership but he withdrew in Mr. Atavne's favour.

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LAHORE STRIKE CALLED OFF

LAHORE, May 23.

The strike by the sweepers of Lahore was called off to-day on a promise given to them that their demands were being sympathetically considered by Government.

As decided at a meeting of the Rate-payers' Association last night, a deputation led by Dr. Gopichand Bhargava waited on the Minister for Local Self-Government, who came down to Lahore in this connection. After full discussion, a "communique" was issued stating that Government were prepared to accept some demands regarding leave, stability of service, pay, etc while they would consider other demands sympathetically after obtaining necessary reports from the official enquiry committee.

The "communique" also stated that those strikers, who would resume work by noon to -morrow would not be victimised.

This announcement was communicated to the strikers at a meeting held this noon and the strike was withdrawn.—United Press.

OUR EUROPEAN LETTER

(Continued from Page 6).

Rome Axis, in which as matters are, Germany has assumed a dominance.

Anglo-Russian Negotiations

The negotiations that have been going on between Britain and Russia practically ever since the German occupation of Bohemia and Moravia have not resulted in an agreement. The delay stands in rather striking contrast to a quickness with which the fascist dictatorial States often push forward and fix their understandings. During the week, Moscow has broken a silence long maintained about the negotiations not making speedy progress. "Izvestia" of Moscow, which is generally held as well reflecting opinion of the Kremlin, has come out with a frank statement setting out the circumstances causing a delay as seen in Moscow. From the article, it is obvious, that in Moscow estimate is strongly held of important circles in Britain approaching Russia with an antagonism not abandoned and a suspicion preserved. Connected with this, there is both irritation and resentment in Moscow. Clearly there are reflections of the West needing to-day to a greater degree Russian co-operation. Moscow puts much stress on the terms for an understanding proposed by Britain as being unsuited to evoke satisfactory Russian response, and a sort of shaky settlement, it is indicated, might not only fail to produce a necessary effect, but might also lead to dangerous consequences. "Izvestia" in the article referred to above, that has caused much attention this week in Europe, points out British guarantee in Eastern Europe on the fulfilment of which Russian aid is suggested to be made conditional being limited to Poland and Roumania. Russia, it is frankly declared has to take closely into consideration the possibility of Latvia, Esthonia and Lithuania being attacked by Germany. What then? Also the terms proposed by Britain, it is underlined, imply a severe check on Russian initiative and on Moscow's rapidity of action. It would appear that Russia has conveyed to London a mistrust of certain bonds with Germany indicated as attempted to be held by circles in London, bonds thought as linked with the conception of making an imperialist settlement and also of the anomalous position of there existing agreements directed much against Russia among some of the States for whom Russian help is now desired. The latter has specially reference to a Polish-Roumanian Agreement. But Moscow does not pay much weight to a formal abrogation of it, since it is thought that a firm understanding with the major Western Powers will have that effect.

Reciprocity Demand

The Russian proposal in the circumstances puts weight on an understanding of a firm character and having a reciprocal basis relating to matters between Britain, France and Russia with Poland also, perhaps, drawn well to it. Such an understanding, Moscow views, will also influence Italy to consider more realistically the loosening of bonds with Germany. According to one usually well-informed source, in Moscow, an irritation over British halt, which is known as exercising close influence on that of France, is heightened owing to reflections of an oppositional attitude of some dominant groups in Britain to Russia and in association an uncertainty of British halt. There is much concern of Russia being left in the lurch. It is even feared that a speedy termination of a clash, with one breaking out, is not so much to the desire of these groups as it well holds the scope of Russia emerging considerably strengthened. Perhaps England does not desire it happening either to Germany. The calculations of these groups are suggested as directed to a clash letting an exhaustion in the East, allowing scope for the man power of France being organised and England bringing more into play her economic resources. This version anyway reflects a distrust both in Moscow and London. Meanwhile popular opinion is keener of the mistrust being dropped, since reservations bound with it are not likely to be overlooked by Germany. The weight attached by Berlin to Russian stand is shown by a care evinced by Germany now to avoid attacks of Russia. In Moscow where there is more realistic estimation of Nazi Germany's aims and structure there is no great tendency to take unwarranted satisfaction of this. Closer understanding between Russia and the West stands as most fitted to cause an effective impression on Germany against a path of aggression, but the evolution of it remains still set with difficulties.

German-Polish Tension

The German-Polish tension stays unabated, though an acuteness in relation to it has subsided or appears as having subsided. Comments in the German Press suggest Hitler taking up the question of a "settlement" with Poland soon after the Nuremberg Party Congress that is to be held in September. These comments also add that, of course, in the event of Poland moving to take steps of aggressive nature Germany will not remain passive. Meanwhile a press campaign against Poland is maintained in full swing and an active propaganda drive against Poland is also kept abroad. The German Propaganda Minister, Dr. Goebbels, in an article this week in the "Voelkische Beobachter" asserts that ultimately German bayonets will decide where the German land will end and the Polish commence. Attention is directed by Berlin well to have foreign interest for the while in connection with the German-Polish tension greatly limited to the Danzig issue. There are moves to raise the issue of a plebiscite in Danzig. The idea of a plebiscite, particularly with Germany exercising a great control over Danzig, is strongly declared as unacceptable in Warsaw. Hitler never thought of a plebiscite in the Czechoslovak territory. After the occupation of Bohemia and Moravia, of course, many Czechs have told me that they were not anxious for a plebiscite, indeed they feared one, under virtual German control. The former President of the Danzig Senate and a one time collaborator of Herr Hitler, Herr Rauschnigg, this week in an article in the Swiss daily "Busler National Zeitung declares that the implications of an alteration of the status of Danzig as desired by Germany will go much beyond the attachment of it to Germany and will mean really the extension of a German control over Poland. Poland then might also come to undergo territorial alterations. Herr Rauschnigg bases his statements on conversations he had in regard to Eastern Europe with Hitler. Herr Hitler in these conversations is indicated as having advanced views for increase of German hold in South-Eastern Europe, extension of checks and control on Poland and closer assimilation of certain Baltic areas as steps towards occupation of regions more fitted for colonisation purposes. Reports of this week state of large numbers of Nazi Storm troopers from East Prussia and other parts of Germany being moved to Danzig. Warsaw is greatly alert to and apprehensive of sudden actions by Germany. Poland has also made strong troop concentrations round the Danzig area. Danzig stands as a storm centre. The problem of Danzig has advanced to one of international importance. There is much speculation and considerable anxiety in connection with it now.

RESTORE 'STATUS QUO'

Sir Muhammad Suggests Solution For Lucknow Deadlock

SIMLA, May 23.

In my opinion, restoration of the 'status quo' is the only solution of the unfortunate situation that has been created in Lucknow by the decision of the Government to allow the Sunnis to recite "Madhe Sahaba", observed sir Muhammad Yakub in the course of an interview to the "United Press".

Sir Muhammad observed that the restoration of the "status quo" might produce agitation among the Sunnis, but that would be short-lived and the Sunnis would soon realise that it was not in the interest of either—the Shias or the Sunnis—to create dissension among their coreligionists In his opinion that would soon settle down.

Referring to the decision of the Government, Sir Muhammad maintained that they were not rightly advised in the matter to allow the Sunnis to recite "Madhe Sahaba" publicly and loudly, and there was no precedence for carrying out procession and reciting "Madhe Sahaba" loudly, nor there was any religious decree behind it. The thing that has been allowed to happen in ucknow had never before happened in any province in India nor in any Islamic country of the world.—United Press.

For Commercial Travellers

SIMLA, May 22.

Commercial travellers, who intend to visit Mexico, will have to furnish five hundred dollars bond on entering the United States, if they do not take 'visa' before leaving India.

The Mexican Immigration authorities at the port of entry are entitled to demand a deposit from 750 to 1000 pesos as a guarantee that the alien will depart from Mexico within the period of validity of his visa.—United Press

LEKHRAJ TO GO TO FEDERAL COURT

KARACHI, May 22.

It is understood that Dada Lekhraj, the founder of the "Om Mandli" and "Om Radhe," the President, propose to appeal to the Federal Court of India, Delhi, against the order of the Government of Sind banning its activities and declaring it an unlawful body, under Section 16 of the Criminal Law Amendment Act.—United Press.

INDIANS IN THE COMMONWEALTH

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of racial discrimination, is an insult to India incompatible with any notions of self-respect.

TRAGIC TO CONTEMPLATE.

There is a growing feeling, both in India and among Indians abroad, that the Government of India can no longer be relied upon to safeguard their interests in the colonies. The utmost that may be expected is temporary relief or a brief postponement of legislative and administrative measures which the Colonial Office seems determined to sanction, regardless of the valuable services Indians have rendered in the past towards the development of those territories and of all considerations of fairness, justice, and equity. It is tragic to contemplate that German, Austrian, and Italian Jews can have greater rights in the Highlands of Kenya than Indian "citizens" of the British Commonwealth.

Never within my twenty-five years of public life in India can I recall a period during which despair and despondency have prevailed in India regarding our position in the Commonwealth to the extent one witnesses to-day. The younger generation, of course, draws its own conclusions and believes in its own remedies.

INDIAN STATUS IN COMMONWEALTH

Relations Embittered By Colour Bar

Mr. H. S. L. Polak, Hon. Secretary Indians Overseas Association writes in the "Manchester Guardian":—

Your publication of the letter from Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas on the deterioration of the status of Indians in the Commonwealth is timely. No Indian can speak on this subject with higher authority than he, as the chairman of the Imperial Indian Citizenship Association, Bombay, which has for years devoted itself to the improvement of the status and conditions of Indians overseas.

I recall listening at a public meeting in London a couple of years ago to Sir S. Radhakrishnan, who is now on his way back from a lecturing tour in South Africa, where he must have opened the eyes, as Mr. Sastri did a decade ago, of the race-conscious white South Africans. He was speaking of India and the Commonwealth to a British audience and prefaced his address with a remark to the effect that, unlike his hearers, who belonged to the "Commonwealth", he and his countrymen belonged to the "Empire." And what Indians are feeling is that so long as they do not enjoy self-government at home their status abroad will be that of "second-class citizens," to quote a phrase of another Indian expert, Dr. H. N. Kunzru. president of the Servants of India Society.

BRITISH ATTITUDE RESENTED

India is accustomed to being told that Britain cannot interfere with the Union of South Africa, a self-governing Dominion, to prevent injustice to the Indian community there, 85 per cent of which is South African born. The excuse does not satisfy her, because she remembers that, though the ill-treatment of Indians was given as one of the aggravating causes of the Boer War, we did nothing during the Crown colony period to remove the particular disabilities against which we had to protest to the Republican Government, but rather added to them. It is not unnatural, therefore, that we should be blamed in India for the steady deterioration that has taken place in the years that have passed since the Transvaal received self-government (during the love and admiration of his countrymen even before his return to India in 1915) in the conditions affecting South African Indians.

INFLUENCE OF GOVT. OF INDIA

But what possible excuse has this country to offer to India for first establishing, then maintaining over a period of thirty years, and now extending the area in which is operative in Kenya the administrative practice of excluding all non-Europeans from the ownership and occupation of agricultural land in the Highlands? When one recalls the tributes paid by Sir John Kirk, Lord Lugard, Mr. Winston Churchill, Lord Hailey, and other eminent authorities to the pioneer work of Indians in various activities that made possible the incorporation of Kenya in the British Empire and its subsequent development as a Crown Colony, what base ingratitude it is to continue to tell Indians that not even the Aga Khan can own or occupy a square yard of agricultural land in the enlarged Highlands, though any European, worthy or unworthy, British or foreign, friendly or hostile, may do so. Nor is it any consolation to India to know that this discrimination is made by methods of administrative practice and not by statute. The race and colour bar is there, nevertheless, and, Mr. C. F. Andrews has repeatedly pointed out, nothing has done so much to embitter Indo-British relations as this spectacle of Indian helplessness overseas and the seeming impotence of the Government of India to obtain redress from the home Government.

It is impossible for us here to realise the enormous danger to Empire interests that has resulted from this flagrant departure from the old British doctrine of equal treatment under the law for all subjects of the Crown, irrespective of differences of race or colour? Is it too late to take heed of the warning contained in the last paragraph of the letter of Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas, faced as we are with the need to consolidate the Commonwealth to resist the forces of aggression and violence and race segregation and exploitation?

Rly. Union Secretary Suspended

Relations Between Board And Federation Will Be Weakened

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Under the auspices of the B. B. & C. I. Railwaymen's Union a public meeting of the Gangmen, Line Guards, Muccadams, Gatemen of the Bombay Division and also a part of the Bulsar Division was held yesterday at Virar. Mr. S. H. Jhabvala was in the chair and the meeting was addressed by Messrs. Oak and Potkar. The following three resolutions were passed unanimously:—

Over one and half months have passed since the Working Committee of the Union submitted a memorandum containing the demands of the Gangmen, Line Guards and Muccadams of the Bombay Division to the Agent and General Manager. In the opinion of the meeting all the demands are most moderate and reasonable yet very urgent and therefore the meeting requests the Agent and General Manager to concede them at the earliest.

The suspension of Com. Shiv Vishal, the Secretary of the Union, by the Local Officials, has come as profound shock to the members of the Union and other workers. In the opinion of the meeting the said suspension of one of the most active members of the Union reveals an utterly conservative attitude on the part of the local Administration. Having fully considered all the available facts, the meeting cannot but the interpret it as a demonstration of the obsolete outlook towards Union activities, which often forces Railway Officials to regard Union men with hostility and antagonism. The suspension has created fears and doubts in the minds of the workers about the policy of the Railway Authority towards Union activities and will militate against the atmosphere of understanding being developed between the Railway Board on the one hand and the Railwaymen's Federation on the other. The meeting requests the Agent and General Manager to lift the suspension ban and allay the doubts and fears of the Railway workers, and do justice to Com. Shiv Vishal, who has done nothing to merit this drastic action.

After considering the demands as formulated by the Working Committee of the Union for the Gangmen, gatemen, Line Guards and Muccadams of the Bulsar Division the meeting sets on them the seal of their approval and authorizes the Committee to represent and authorizes the Committee to represent them to the Agent and General Manager, by means of a memorandum drafted on the same lines as the one for Bombay.

Women's Hospital For Hyderabad

Nutrition Survey Completed

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) May 20.

It is understood that a number of important major schemes bearing on Public Health and sponsored by Dr. Hyder Ali Khan, the Director of Public Health and Sanitation, have been sanctioned by the Nizam's Government and will be put into execution shortly.

Among these schemes is one for an up-to-date Women's Hospital to be built at a cost of Rs. 10 lakhs, another for a Children's Clinic costing six lakhs, and a third for the construction of separate Nurses quarters at a cost of two lakhs, all of them to be provided in Hyderabad city.

The construction of a temporary Sanatorium at Amrahbad (Mahboobnagar District), near Farahabad, at a cost of one lakh of rupees, is another of the major schemes sanctioned. This Sanatorium is intended for use pending the completion of the Anantagiri T. B. scheme which would take least two years more.

Another proposal made by Dr. Hyder Ali Khan is for the air-conditioning of the Operating Theatre of the Osmania General Hospital. The proposal, it is understood, has been accepted by the Government and the work on it would be taken in hand very soon.

It is understood that a Nutrition survey of the Nizam's Dominions conducted by the Department of the Public Health and Sanitation, has just been completed and a scheme based on its findings has been forwarded to the Government and is under its consideration.

Hearing of Bomb Case.

The second bomb case arising out of the explosion which occurred near a dust-bin in Ghansi Bazar near the High Court on 14th March last and in which five persons received serious injuries, was taken up to-day by the Chief City Magistrate.

The accused in this case are Krishnabai, the mother of Tuljaram, and six other persons, namely, Durga Singh, Tuljaram, Mohan Singh, Santaram, Jayyar and Gangaram, who were produced on four counts. The Magistrate recorded formal evidence and framed two charges against all the accused, namely, attempted murder (Section 248. A. P. C.) and conspiracy (77-B, A.P.C.) and committed them to the High Court Sessions.

Handloom Weaving In Assam

Grants From Central Government

SIMLA, May 17.

Out of the grants sanctioned by the Government of India, four schemes for the development of the handloom industry in Assam, costing Rs. 20,185 were financed last year.

The schemes are the re-organisation of the Government Emporium and Central Stores, Gauhati, establishment of a branch emporium at Sylhet, inspectors for organisation of Weavers' Associations and standardisation of products, and dyeing and printing instructions to and through the peripatetic weaving parties.

These schemes were to terminate during the current year. But with the saving effected from previous years, and the additional grants since sanctioned by the Government of India, it is proposed to continue them as long as possible during 1939-40, particularly the last scheme which has been of great benefit to the poor weavers of the province.

MUNICIPAL ACTION AGAINST BIRDS

Confiscation Authorised If Found Straying In Streets

(From Our Correspondent.)

ALLAHABAD, May 23

Amroha Municipality has declared a war on birds. Under a new by-law, the Board is empowered to seize and confiscate all tame birds such as fowls, hens, ducks, pigeons, etc., straying within municipal area and sell them after detaining in municipal custody for 24 hours. The explanation for such confiscatory order is that such birds are a nuisance to public and obstruct traffic besides damaging municipal gardens.

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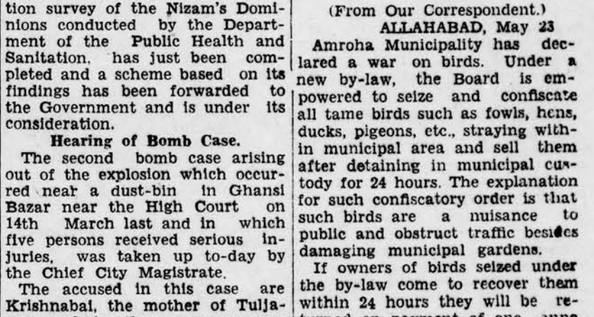

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Latest Commercial News

NEW YORK COTTON ONE POINT UP

Further Strength In Securities

GRADUAL IMPROVEMENT IN MOST GROUPS

BOMBAY, May 23.

NEW YORK COTTON

The Cotton Market developed better sentiment to-day following higher outside cables which induced fairly good local buying and trade calling.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

There was better activity to-day on general buying. Home-Rails and Industrials were better. Oils and Minings were generally improving.

The demand for gilt-edgeds was strong.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

JULY 1939

New York, May 23.

Previous closing	8.73
To-day's opening	8.73
Difference	nil
To-day's closing	8.74
Difference	+.01

LIVERPOOL COTTON

JULY 1939

Liverpool, May 23.

Previous closing	4.84
To-day's opening	4.87
Difference	+.03
To-day's closing	4.79
Difference	—.05

BROACH EXPECTATION

April May 1939	Rs. 168-0
July August 1939	Rs. 166-4
April May 1940	Rs. 156-0

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, May 23.

The trading in July began at 8.73 i.e. unchanged.

Prices advanced on better Liverpool cables and trade and foreign buying under which July steadily rose to 8.78 but subsequent changes were small with undertone very steady.

BOMBAY COTTON

Late Trading

Bombay, May 23.

The trading in local market opened with Broach July/August being quoted at Rs. 167-8. The price later eased with July closing finally at Rs. 166-4. The closing rate for April was Rs. 155-14.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, May 23.

The following are opening ranges:—
July (8.72/8.71) 8.73/8.73
October (7.87/7.87) 7.95/7.95
December (7.67/7.66) 7.75/7.75

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, May 23.

The following are opening quotations:
American May (5.15) 5.15
American July (4.87) 4.85
Egyptian May (6.44) 6.47
Egyptian July (6.54) 6.57

LONDON COMMODITIES

London, May 23.

TEAS

Indian Pekoe (0-11 1/4) 0-10 3/4
Indian Pekoe higher (1-4 1/4) 1-4 3/4
Ceylon Pekoe (1-1 1/4) 1-1 1/4
Ceylon Pekoe higher (1-6 1/2) 1-6 1/2

JUTE

First Marks C. I. F. Continent New Crop May June (£28 sellers) £27 3/8 sellers
Dunlop May (£32 1/2) £32 1/2
Lightning May (£31) £31

RUBBER

Spot (8 1/16 value) 8 1/8 paid and buyers
Forward July September (8 1/8 buyers) 8 1/4 paid and sellers

SEEDS

Castorseed Bombay May/June (£11 5/8 sellers) £11 5/8 sellers
Linseed La Plata May (£13 1/16 sellers) £13 sellers
Linseed La Plata May (£11 7/16 sellers) £11 7/16 sellers
Groundnuts Coromandal June (£11 15/16 sellers) £11 5/8 sellers

METALS

Tin (£226 buyers £226 1/4 sellers. Steady) £225 1/4 buyers £225 3/4 sellers. Barely steady.
Lead (£14 5/16 buyers £14 7/16 sellers. Steady) £14 5/16 buyers £14 3/8 sellers. Steady
Electrolytic Copper (£17 1/4 to £47 3/4) £47 3/8 to £47 3/4
Iron (102) 102

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, May 23.

The following are the opening rates:
General Motors (dol 43 1/8) dol 44
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 23 1/2) dol 23 5/8
U S Common New Stock (dol 44 5/8) dol 46 1/2
U S Steel Preference (unquoted) dol 103

LIVERPOOL WHEAT Closing Quotation

Liverpool, May 23.

The Liverpool wheat market closed with May at 55d.

EXCHANGES

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, May 23.

Previous closing	4.68 3/16
To-day's opening	4.68 3/16
At the time of New York cotton closing	4.68 3/16

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, May 23.

Previous closing	4.68.13
To-day's opening	4.68.18
To-day's closing	4.68.21

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS

London, May 23.

Previous closing	176.73
To-day's opening	176.73
To-day's closing	176.73

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, May 23.

London Exchanges opened with the sterling dollar at 4.68.18 and moved within very narrow range with hardly any important transaction.

Franc opened at 176.73 and remained steady with no wide fluctuations.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 7/8 sellers) 1-5 7/8 sellers
Paris on Bombay (13.157) 13.157
New York on Bombay (34.90) 34.88
Berlin on Milan (87) 0.87
London on Milan (89.02) 89.02
London on Shanghai (0-8 7/32 nominal) 0-8 7/32
London on Kobe (1-2) 1-2

BULLION

Influx (Nil) Nil
Withdrawal (nil) nil
Gold (£7-8-5 1/2) £7-8-5 1/2
Silver (20 1/8d) 20 1/16d.

DISCOUNTS

3 months (11/16 to 11/16 per cent) 11/16 to 11/16 per cent
4 months (3/4 to 3/4 per cent) 3/4 to 3/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/8 per cent

LONDON SILVER CABLE

Bombay, May 23.

The following cable regarding silver market was received in Bombay to-night:—

"Speculators bought and sold. Little Indian buying at the decline. Market steady."

LONDON SILVER

London, May 23.

Spot	(20 1/8d) 20 1/16d—1/16
Forward	(19 15/16d) 19 7/8d—1/16

LONDON GOLD

London, May 23.

Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£7-8-5 1/2) £7-8-5 1/2

BOMBAY BULLION

Latest Quotation

SILVER

Bombay, May 23.

Silver ready	52	15	0
Silver Jeth	52	14	0
Silver Ashad	52	12	6

GOLD

Gold ready	37	1	9
Gold Jeth	37	2	0
Gold Ashad	37	2	6
Sovereign	23	10	6

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotations

Bombay, May 23.

Wheat May	3	6	0
Wheat September	3	9	6
Linseed May	5	6	6
Linseed September	5	8	0

Liverpool Wheat

Liverpool, May 23.

Liverpool wheat opened quiet with July at 52 3/8.

The trading was quiet and uninteresting owing to absence of any encouraging overseas cables with operators awaiting overseas developments.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, May 23.

Chicago wheat opened steady with July at 0.74 3/8. Prices improved on scattered local buying and some outside support influenced by reports of moisture deficiency with the rate later rising to 0.74 5/8.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, May 23.

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at £85

Closing quotations on the previous days were:—

Friday, May 12, £81
Monday, May 15 £81 1/2
Tuesday, May 16, £81 1/2
Wednesday, May 17, £81 3/4
Thursday, May 18, £83.
Friday, May 19 £84
Monday, May 22, £84 3/4

INDIAN LOANS

London, May 23.

3-30 p.m.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£95 3/4) £96 1/4
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£84 3/4) £85 1/2
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£105 3/4) £106 1/4
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68 (£107 1/4) £107 3/4
4 per cent Indian Stock 1948-58 (£102 1/4) £102 3/4
5 per cent 1942-47 (£104 3/4) £104 3/4
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£97 3/4) £98 1/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent 1945-55 (£105 1/4) £105

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£68) £68 3/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£94 3/8) £95 1/8
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£104) £104
5 per cenat Funding Loan (£106 1/2) £107
5 1/2 per cent War Loan (£93 7/8) £94 1/2
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£106 3/8) £105 5/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, May 23.

London Stock Exchange was quietly steady.

Giltedged securities continue to work up on continued good demand. Three and half per cent was quoted at £85 1/2 i.e. fifteen shillings higher than the last closing.

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (17-6) 17-6
Motors and Spencer Ordinary (63-3) 64-4 1/2
Hydro Electric (dol 4) dol 4
Elec Music Industry (11-1 1/2) 11-1 1/2
Princhin Johnson (23-9) 23-9
Imperial Chemical (30-4 1/2) 30-4 1/2
Woolsworth New Ordinary (63-6) 64-1 1/2
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1930 (£20 1/2) £20 1/2
Dunlop Rubber (28-3) 28-3
Unilever Ordinary (35-7 1/2) 35-7 1/2
Ford Motors (17-4 1/2) 17-4 1/2
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£48) £49 1/2
British American Tobacco Ordinary (99-4 1/2) 99-4 1/2
Carreas 'A' (£6 1/2 Ex Div) £6 1/2
Imperial Tobbacco Ordinary (130-7 1/2) 130-7 1/2
P and O. S. N. Company Deferred (20-1 1/2) 20-2 1/2
Distillers (91-9) 91-9
British Dyers (4-1 1/2) 4-1 1/2
British Celanese (4-6) 4-6
J and P Coates Ordinary (31-10 1/2 Ex Div) 32-1 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary (25-0) 25-0
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-9) 2-9
Vickers Limited Ordinary (19) 19-0
Inter Nickel (dol 50 7/8) dol 51 3/8
Indian Irons (37-6) 37-6

TEA SHARES

Assam (16-10 1/2) 16-10 1/2
Donaro Tea (28-9) 28-9
Empire of India (21-10 1/2) 21-3

JUTE

Barnagore (£10 3/4) £11

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (25-9) 25-9
Gula Kelampong (18-9) 18-9
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (27-0) 27-0

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (30-0) 30-7 1/2
Burma Corporation (8-6) 8-6
Rio Tintos (£12 3/8) £12 3/8
East Rand Proprietor (50-0) 50-0
Rand Mines (£8 5/8) £8 5/8

MINE SHARES

Crown (£15 1/2) £15 3/8
Associated Portland Cement (71-7 1/2) 72-6
Trinidad Leaseholds (83-1 1/2) 85-0
Sub Nigel (£11) £11
Spring Mines Split Shares (28-9) 28-9
Union Corporation (£7 3/8) £7 3/8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (22-6) 22-6
Anglo Iranian (78-9) 78-9
Burma Oil (77-6 Ex Div) 77-6
Mexican Eagle (8-4 1/2) 8-9
Shell Transport (83-1 1/2) 83-1 1/2
Royal Dutch (£34 1/8) £34 3/8

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£32) £33 1/4
London Midland Ordinary (£14 1/2) £15
London North Eastern Def (£2 5/8) £2 7/8
London Southern Def (£14 1/2) £15
London Transport 5 per cent (£115 1/2 Ex Div) £115 1/2
London Transport 'C' (£71 1/2) £71 1/2) £71 1/2

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

New Loan To Be Floated

LONDON, May 23.
(SPECIAL CABLE.)

On the Stock Exchange strong demand for giltedged securities owing to influx of investment orders caused a general improvement in most sections recording useful final gains apart from internationals, which remained quiet.

Home Industrials:—Oils were well supported while India and Dominion Bonds cheered following announcement of early floatation of new 5 million sterling South-African load which it is believed in some quarters will signify confidence in future of this market.

Wall Street opened irregular.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Speculatives Quiet But Steady

CALCUTTA, May 23.

Jutes:—Practically nothing fresh was there in this section to-day, undertone generally ruled quiet and business was very meagure. Coals: only limited business was put through. Teas rather dull and neglected. Miscellane: Speculative issues ruled quiet but steady. Govt. securities steadier.

The closing rates are:—

Govt. securities:—Three per cent loan 1951/54 99/6, three and half per cent Govt. paper 96/10, three per cent loan 1963/65 99/6 ct, four per cent loan 1960/70 110/10.

Railways:—Baraset Basirhat Rly. 43, Darjeeling Himalayan pref 102.

Cottons:—Benares cotton and silk 1/3, Cawnpore Textiles 3/14, Dunbar ord 150 ct,

Coals:—Amalgamated 22/8, Burradhemo 3/14, Baigora 4/3, Bokaro and Ramgur 14/6, Borrea 11/6, Central Kurkend 11/4, Churilia 1/8, Dhemo Main 12/4, East Indian 21/7, Ghusick and Muslia 2/6, Khas Kajora pref 10/4, Satpukuria and Asansol annas 7. Sendra 8, South Karanpura 4/10.

Jutes:—Barnagore 151, Birla pref 117/8, Delta pref 120, Ganges 251/8, Howrah 43/9, Hukumchand 5/5 small lot, Kamarhatty pref 135, Khardah pref 132, Megna 23, National 21/14, Presidency 3/11, Waverley annas 12.

Miscellaneous:—Burma Corpn 5/10, Consolidated tin 5/13, Indian copper 1/13, Rhodesia copper 1/3, Cements Dalmia cement ord 11/4 small lot, do defd 3/8 small lot do pref 96, Alaki and Chemical pref 119, Bengal Aerating Gas 42, Patna elec 14/10, Braithwaite and Co. 7/2, Burn and Co. ord 266/8, Indian iron 25/5, Indian Malleable casting defd 2, Kumardhubi Eng ord 3/7, do pref 85, Steel corpn ord 12/10, do pref 96, B. I. corpn ord 2/13, small lots, Indian cables 9/6, Indian National Airways ord 6/12, Publicity Society 7, Moola oil 1/5, Humayan property ord 5/6, Borooah timber 10/12, Borkukhuri 7, Loobah 1/14,

Debenture:—Four per cent 1910/40, Calcutta Municipal 101/4 small lots.—A. P.

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York, May 22

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dollars
American Power and Light Common	4
American Power and Light 5 per cent Pfd	33
Electric Power and Light 7 per cent Pfd	26
Electric Bond and Share Common	8
Electric Bond and Share 5 per cent Pfd	54
American Telephone and Telegraph	163
Sun Life of Canada	405
Western Union Telegraph	19
New York Central	14 1/2
Great Northern Pfd	20
Pennsylvania R R	18
Union Carbon and Carbide	73
Liggette Mayer's 'B'	100
American Tobacco 'B'	81
Amrex Corporation	22 3/8
Texas Corporation	38 1/2
United States Steel	46 1/2
Crucible Steel	28
Republic Steel	15
Ludlum Steel	16
United States Smelting	50
Int Nickel of Canada	48
Anaconda Copper Mining	24
Chrysler Motors	67
General Motors	44 1/8
General Electric	34 3/8
Douglas	67
National Cash Register 'A'	19
National Dairy	15
Socony	11 7/8
Consolidated Oil	7 3/8
National City Bank of New York	25 3/4

Turnover 420,000 shares Market acts well and looks higher. Steel production 48 1/2 per cent against 45.4 per cent last week and 29 per cent same period last year.

FOREIGN TRADE OF SWEDEN

Sweden's foreign, trade during March resulted in a surplus of imports over exports of 52,000,000 kr. (£2,680,000) as against about 40,000,000 kr. for the corresponding month last year, according to the statistics of the Swedish Board of Trade. Imports rose by about 18,000,000 kr. compared with the preceding year, to 191,000,000 kr. (£9,840,000) and exports by 5,000,000 kr. to 139,000,000 kr. (£7,160,000). Textile materials and fabrics, metals and automobiles account for the larger part of the import rise, while on the export side new vessels, machinery and telephones showed marked increases. For the first three months of the current year Sweden's foreign trade displays an import surplus of nearly 116,000,000 kr. (£5,979,000).

All India Weather

(From Our Correspondent)

POONA, May 23.

The following are the maximum-minimum temperature and rainfall figures recorded at various stations during twenty-four hours ending 8 a.m. to-day:—

Station.	Temperature Max	Min.	Rainfall Past 24 Hours	Total Since 1st April	Difference to normal.
Agra	108	88	—	—	—0.6
Amraoti	107	79	—	—	—0.5
Akola	107	81	—	0.6	+0.3
Ahmedabad	102	77	—	—	—0.3
Ajmer	100	82	—	—	—0.6
Ahmednagar	100	70	—	0.7	+0.1
Ambala	108	81	—	0.4	—0.8
Allahabad	108	85	—	0.4	+0.1
Benares	107	86	—	—	—0.5
Bareilly	107	79	—	0.3	—0.5
BOMBAY	91	80	—	—	—0.1
Bangalore	88	65	0.4	7.3	+3.1
Bhopal	104	79	—	—	—
Baroda	101	78	—	—	—
Belgaum	90	69	T	0.5	—2.4
Bahawalpore	110	79	—	—	—0.5
Bijapur	100	77	—	0.5	—0.7
Bellary	101	81	—	1.4	—0.6
Bhavnagar	103	77	—	—	—0.4
Chittagong	93	71	1.1	4.8	—6.9
Calcutta	98	81	—	3.8	—1.9
Cuttack	106	80	—	0.6	—2.8
Cawnpore	109	88	—	—	—0.4
Calicut	93	79	—	9.0	+0.5
Colombo	86	80	0.1	24.4	+5.7
Cheerapunji	70	61	3.6	61.7	+3.6
Cocanada	102	85	—	0.5	—1.1
Cochin	87	78	—	17.0	+5.6
Dehra Dun	98	73	—	1.7	—0.1
Delhi	110	87	—	—	—0.8
Dehra I. Khan	110	76	—	0.6	—0.4
Desa	101	75	—	—	—0.3
Dalhousie	—	—	—	3.4	—1.9
Fort Sandeman	95	65	—	1.0	—0.6
Gorakhpur	105	79	—	0.1	—1.4
Hyderabad (Dn.)	106	88	—	0.9	—0.8
Hyderabad (Sd.)	100	77	—	—	—0.1
Indore	99	77	—	—	—0.3
Jhansi	107	90	—	—	—0.3
Jubbulpore	107	81	—	—	—0.5
Jacobabad	111	79	—	—	—0.3
Jaipur	104	78	—	—	—0.5
Karachi	87	80	—	0.1	—0.1
Kodaikanal	71	54	—	6.5	—2.4
Khandwa	106	80	—	—	—0.3
Lucknow	107	85	—	—	—0.9
Ludhiana	109	80	—	0.4	—0.9
Lahore	109	76	—	0.1	—0.9
Lyallpur	110	79	—	—	—1.0
Multan	110	82	—	—	—0.5
Mysore	90	69	0.4	7.7	+1.6
Madras	102	81	—	5.2	+4.0
Marmagoa	87	80	—	0.1	—
Malegaon	103	73	—	—	—0.5
Mussoorie	80	63	—	1.0	—1.5
Mahableshwar	82	63	—	0.7	—1.4
Murree	77	64	—	3.0	—3.3
Mount Abu	84	68	—	—	—0.8
Masulipatam	100	80	—	0.1	—1.4
Mandalay	99	77	—	7.3	+2.3
Mangalore	90	80	—	5.0	+0.8
Meerut	—	—	—	—	—0.9
Mercara	80	66	—	1.9	—4.0
Nagpur	109	88	—	0.3	—0.7
Ootacamund	71	52	—	6.0	—2.1
Patna	101	79	—	0.1	—1.1
Peshawar	100	74	—	0.7	—1.9
Poona	95	70	—	0.1	—0.9
Pachmarhi	95	78	—	—	—0.7
Port Blair	87	77	—	18.8	+5.5
Quetta	87	46	—	1.1	—
Ranchi	103	77	—	1.2	—1.1
Rawalpindi	103	75	—	1.8	—1.1
Rangoon	92	79	—	11.8	+2.4
Ratnagiri	89	80	—	0.1	—0.2
Rajkot	102	74	—	—	—0.3
Sialkot	106	77	—	0.9	—0.9
Srinagar	82	56	—	2.6	—3.0
Sholapur	103	79	—	0.4	—0.5
Shillong	76	63	—	8.4	—4.6
Simla	76	61	—	1.6	—2.2
Surat	92	78	—	—	—0.2
Salem	101	73	0.4	7.8	+2.2
Trichinopoly	103	81	—	6.4	+2.3
Trivandrum	88	79	—	14.6	+5.4
Vizagapatam	91	84	—	0.2	—2.0

T indicates rainfall of 1 to 4 Cents.

Threat To U. P. Electric Supply Co.

LUCKNOW, May 23.

A threat to "resort to direct action" if the unduly high horse-power charges imposed by the U. P. Electric Supply Company are not reduced is held out by the General Secretary of the Lucknow Millers Association in a letter to the resident engineer of the company.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 23-5-1939.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours +.027 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 84.2 degrees.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 76.9 degrees.

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 90.9 degrees 0.3 (below normal).

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 80.4 degrees 0.2 (above normal).

Relative Humidity at 8 a.m. 70 p.c.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. N.

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 9 miles per hour.

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 183 miles.

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 16 miles per hour.

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 5.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 23-5-39.

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 86.2 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.06 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.85 inches.

For correction of ship's instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Bombay, May 23.

Scindia Steam Nvg. s.s. Jalapalaka of 2629 reg tons Capt A E Trick arrived from Rangoon via Colombo Cochin and Quilon with cargo of rice

Govt. H T Somersetshire of 5932 reg tons Capt P H Potter arrived from Southampton via Gibraltar, Malta Port Said and Aden with military officers and troops.

SAILED

Lloyd Triestino s.s. Volpi of 3061 reg tons Capt S De Bai sailed for Kobe via Colombo and Singapore with same bottom cargo.

F F Campbell s.s. City of Baghdad of 4713 reg tons Capt J A White sailed for Marmagoa Colombo Madras and Calcutta with local and same bottom cargo

LOADING

The following vessels booked for loading on 23-5-39.

S S Conte Rosso (LT) for Europe and American Ports

S S Vinni (Vol Bros) for American Ports via Karachi

S S Rawalpindi (MM) for China Japan Ports via Colombo

STEAMERS IN DOCKS

ALEXANDRA DOCK

Bombay, May 23.

1 C Leicester 1994 Karachi 24-5 J Finlay
4 Toyama Maru 4386 Karachi 24-5 N Y Kaisha
6 Soudan 3477 Japan 25-5 M M
8 Volpi 3061 Yokohama 23-5 L Triestino
9 Hoegh Transporter 2865 Vancouver 24-5 Volkart Bros
11 C/Bagdad 4713 Marmagoa 23-5 F F Campbell
13 Takliwa 3742 Durban 24-5 M M
15 C/Shanghai 3748 Liverpool 1-6 K Uixon

VICTORIA DOCK

3 Barpeta 1892 Persian Gulf 24-5 M M
4 Vita 1955 Busra 25-5 M M
5 Linaria 2014 Okha 26-5 Grahams Tdg.
10/11 Nailsea Meadow 2943 London 25-5 Ralli Bros

PRINCE'S DOCK

B Alavi 2161 Red Sea Ports 25-5 T M
N/O Lahore 3161 Karachi 26-5 M M
H Revati 250 N F N F Malabar Steamship
H O/S Shrivati 250 N F N F Malabar S
L Odde 470 NF NF S Hassam
C/R Jalapalaka 2630 NF 27-5 Scindia S N
P/O Bamora 1870 N F N F M M

Steamers Expected

FROM LONDON
Strathaird 1-6-39 P and O S N
Chitral 8-6-39 P and O S N
Mooltan 15-6-39 P and O S N
Soudan 19-5-39 P and O S N
Rawalpindi 25-5-39 P and O S N

FROM LIVERPOOL
Clan Macinnes 28-5-39 J Finlay
Elysia 24-5-39 Anchor Line

FROM HAMBURG
Neuenfels 8-6-39 L Edwards
Watchtfels 26-5-39 L Edwards

FROM NEW YORK
Pres. Hayes 15-6-39 F F Campbell
Steel Ranger 28-5-39 M M
Pres. Harrison 1-6-39 F F Campbell

FROM OSLO
Simla 2-6-39 L Edwards

FROM TRIESTE
Conte Rosso 26-6-39 L Triestino

FROM GENOA
Conte Biancamano 12-6-39 L Triestino

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN
Nissan Maru 6-6-39 O S Kaisha
Azuma Maru 11-6-39 N Y Kaisha
Brisbane Maru 17-6-39 O S Kaisha
Zinzan Maru 14-6-39 N Y Kaisha
Victoria 7-6-39 L Triestino
Tango Maru 30-5-39 N Y Kaisha
Carthage 26-5-39 P and O S N
Ryufuku Maru 24-5-39 O S Kaisha
Rajputana 9-6-39 P and O S N
Conte Rosso 25-5-39 L Triestino

FROM BASRA
Barala 25-5-39 M M
Vasna 27-5-39 M M

FROM RANGOON
Jaladuta 25-5-39 Scindia S N
Garmula 25-5-39 M M

FROM SYDNEY
Comorin 2-6-39 P and O S N

FROM DURBAN
Karanja 27-5-39 M M
Tairea 10-6-39 M M

FROM CALCUTTA
Orna 26-5-39 M M
Goalconda 26-5-39 M M

FROM MAGADISCIO
Carso 23-5-39 L Triestino

FROM KARACHI
Toyama Maru 29-5-39 N Y Kaisha

Sailing Dates

FOR LONDON
Comorin 3-6-39 P and O S N
Rajputana 10-6-39 P and O S N
Cathay 17-6-39 P and O S N
Narkunda 20-5-39 P and O S N
Nailsea Meadow 26-5-39 Ralli Bros
Carthage 27-5-39 P and O S N

FOR LIVERPOOL
City of Benares 5-6-39 K Nixon
City of Shanghai 1-6-39 K Nixon
Britannia 16-6-39 Anchor Line

FOR NEW YORK
Pres. Harrison 3-6-39 F F Campbell
Hoegh Tranporter 25-5-39 Volkart Bros
Pres Hayes 17-6-39 F F Campbell
City of Baghdad 22-5-39 F F Campbell

FOR TRIESTE
Conte Rosso 25-5-39 L Triestino
Carso 25-5-39 L Triestino

FOR GENOA
Giulio Cesare 2-6-39 L Triestino
Victoria 7-6-39 L Triestino

FOR CHINA AND JAPAN
Ryufuku Maru 10-6-39 O S K Kaisya
Lahore 6-6-39 P and O S N
Rawalpindi 25-5-39 P and O S N
Tango Maru 15-6-39 N Y Kaisha
Volpi 23-5-39 L Triestino
Conte Biancamano 12-6-39 L Triestino
Toyama Maru 3-6-39 N Y Kaisha
Soudan 25-5-39 Pand O S N
Glasgow Maru 31-5-39 O S Kaisha
Conte Rosso 26-6-39 L Triestino

FOR SYDNEY
Strathaird 1-6-39 P and O S N

FOR BASRA
Vasna 1-6-39 M M
Vita 25-5-39 MM
Barala 31-5-39 M M

FOR DURBAN
Tairea 21-6-39 M M
Karanja 7-6-39 M M

FOR JEDDAH
Alavi 25-5-39 T Morrison

FOR KARACHI
Toyama Maru 24-5-39 N Y Kaisha
City of Leicester 24-5-39 J Finlay
Lahore 26-5-39 P and O S N

B P. T. GENERAL LANDING DATES
S S Tigre 22-5-39
S S Stanwold 22-5-39
S S Odda 22-5-39
S S Narkunda (boats) 22-5-39

EXPORTS

Bombay, May 23.

S S Elysia for Liverpool: 2800 bags gr nut oil cake exp F H Kassam; 50 dms castor oil The Swastik Oil Mills; 26 dms gr nut oil The Swastik Oil Mill; 2800 bags gr nut oil cake exp H Rawji; 300 bags gr nut in shell R Ratilal; 125 bales raw cotton Ramnarain Sons

For Manchester: 150 dms castor oil The Swastik Oil Mills; 862 bags myraboilam P Mathradas; 100 bales raw cotton B Cursondas

For Glasgow: 2800 bags gr nut oil cake exp H Rawji; 1614 bags gr nut oil cake exp A Oomerbhoy; 495 bags lentils P Haridas; 115 dms castor oil The Swastik Oil Mills; 104 dms gr nut oil The Swastik Oil Mills; 990 bags lentils V Khimji

S S City of Shanghai for Liverpool: 667 bags gr nut oil cake exp Oomerbhoy; 757 bags gr nut in shell H K Kesharwalla.

For Manchester: 3501 bags linseed K Devchand

S S Conte Rosso for Tripoli: 80 bales cotton grey yarn A El Ejel

For Beyruth: 125 bkts tamrind A El Ejel; 25 bales cotton grey yarn A El Ejel

S S City offi Bagdad for Halifax: 18 bags gr nut kernels M Bhuta

S S Toyama Maru for Yokohama: 99 tons scrap iron M G Abdulhusen; 210 tons old scrap iron C Manilal

S S Soudan for Shanghai: 100 bales raw cotton Volkart Bros; 100 bales raw cotton Kotak; 400 bales raw cotton J Jeevan; 10 bales c c piece goods E D Sassoon.

For Hongkong: 13 bags fish mwas R Dhanji; 37 bags shark fuis R Dhanji; 75 bales cotton g b twist H M Ghazanfar; 55 bales cotton grey yarn Pavri Sons.

For Kobe: 100 bales raw cotton T M Kaisha; 100 bales raw cotton K M Devchand; 100 bales raw cotton K M Nathoo; 100 bales raw cotton The Podar Trading; 100 bales raw cotton Kotak; 200 bales raw cotton M S Kaisha; 100 bales raw cotton Swastika G Trading; 100 bales raw cotton P Madhavani 108 bales raw cotton G K Kaisha; 100 bales raw cotton The Birla Cotton Factory; 100 bales raw cotton Japan Cotton Trading; 100 bales raw cotton J Devji

For Osaka: 100 bales raw cotton A Clayton

For Yokkaichi: 100 bales raw cotton P Hirachand; 100 bales raw cotton Ramnarain Sons

For Los Angles: 11 cases leather sandals F F Campbell

S S Vinice for New York: 20 bales raw wool D Abraham and Sons; 72 bales cotton waste clean D Abraham and Sons; 55 bags plantago husks Cox and Kings (Agent); 78 bags psyllium seed hush D Abraham and Sons; 86 bags fennel seeds D Abraham and Sons; 461 bags psyllium seed D Abraham and Sons; 274 bags flea seed husk D Abraham and Sons

For Philadelphia: 386 bales r wool D Abraham and Sons; 287 bales d/s goat skins D Abraham and Sons

For Boston: 51 bags psyllium seed D Abraham and Sons

IMPORTS

M V Hilda Agent L Triestino from Alexandria: 900 bales cotton.

From Genoa: 420 cases art silk yarn; 115 bales news print paper; 90 coiboy volkardol; 86 coils galvd barbed wire; 114 cases lift parts; 680 cases marble chips; 50 cases german silver circles.

From Naples: 316 cases tin plates

From Legharu: 285 pcs marble slabs; 5500 pcs marble tiles; 1420 pcs marble chips; 200 bags litopone; 95 bxs tin plates.

S S Maloja Agent M Mackenzie from Basle: 111 phgs aniline colour; 201 phgs corrugated cardboards

From Gothenburg: 42 pkgs paper

From London: 240 cases whisky; 200 kegs paint; 65 bxs smoked haddock fillets; 621 bars silver.

From Zurich: 43 cases pharmacestical products

From Paris: 269 nongs cardboard boxes.

From Marseilles: 149 bales mattress springs; 47 cases iron bolts; 41 csks aniline colour.

S S City of Hereford Agent F F Campbell from New York: 190 cases contg motor cars and truck chassis; 63 cases auto parts; 66 rolls manila rope; 48 cases medicines; 100 dms lubg oil; 450 bales over issued news paper; 57 pkgs dyestuff; 150 cts shingles; 85 bdls elect batteries dry; 400 rolls roofing paper; 76 dms asphait; 50 bags dextrine; 1400 loose rubber tyres; 63 cts dry storage batteries.

From Baltimore: 299 pcs flat steel plates.

S S Jalavijaya Agent Scindia Steam Navigation from Bassein: 34877 bags rice.

From Calicut: 351 bags cocoanuts

From Tuticorin: 49 bags cardamoms; 48 bales senna leaves; 95 cases cone yarn.

From Badagora: 592 bags cocoanuts; 506 bags copra; 148 bdls old empty gunnies

From Tellichery: 65 bdls canes; 765 bags cocoanuts

From Cannonore: 6668 pcs wood scantling; 110 bags copra

S S Jalamani Agent Scindia Steam Navigation from Bassein: 10366 bags

From Tuticorin: 45 cases cone yarn

From Cochin: 117 logs match wood; 279 bags cocoanuts; 140 tin ghee; 72 dms cocoanut oil; 320 bdls coir yarn

From Calicut: 200 bags dry ginger

From Badagora: 938 bags copra; 688 bags cocoanuts

From Tellicherry: 125 bags cocoanuts

S S Bahadur Agent T Morrison from Rangoon 21278 bags rice; 350 dms lubg oil

From Calicut: 74 h/chest tea

From Cannanore: 75 bags copra.

Cotton Markets Await Washington Developments

PROPOSED BARTER PLAN BETWEEN BRITAIN AND U. S. A.

... Foreign And Trade Buying ...

The cotton market was quiet pending Washington developments. The proposed barter plan is viewed as merely transferring surplus from one point to another. In connection with the tentative agreement between Britain and the United States for barter about a million cotton bales and fifty million dollars worth of crude rubber. According to Dow Jones Agency an official announcement regarding the barter may be made early in June. It is understood that the barter plan involves the stepping up of rubber production rather than the risk of disrupting the open market by large scale direct purchases.

The market opened steady. There was Bombay selling of nears on easier Liverpool cables and hedging in July coupled with liquidation. Trade buying appeared at limits moderate foreign buying of distants partly against sales of nearbys. Finally trade and foreign buying developed. The closing tone of the market was steady.

NEW YORK MARKET

At the opening July was quoted 8.72 and declined to 8.66 which was the lowest of the day. The market then improved to 8.73 on foreign and the trade buying. At this level market was steady and finally closed at 8.73 at a decline of 3 points. Spot cotton prices declined 3 points at 9.73c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton market was steady and closed 6 points down in near months while 4 to 3 points up in distants. Spot cotton prices declined by 7 points at 9.43c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of 3 points with October 4.54. The market was dull, awaiting Washington developments. Distant months were in demand. Local scattered realising in July and American straddle selling offset trade calling. The market closed easy at a decline of 7 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices declined 1 point at 5.60d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Egyptian cotton market was also easy and Giza futures closed at a decline of 6 to 9 points. Uppers futures declined 10 to 11 points. The Alexandria cotton market was quiet and Sakels futures advanced 4 to 3 points and Ashmouni contracts declined by 17 to 12 points.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York July highest (2-47 p.m.)	8.73—03
New York July lowest (11 a.m.)	8.66—10
Liverpool October highest	4.54—03
Liverpool October lowest	4.49—08

Messrs. Bishwambharlal Maheshwari have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

New York: Market influenced by Agricultural legislation change appears abandon irregular market in prospect a hand to mouth policy prevails.

Increased liquidation less demand for July better feeling with regard to new crop months weevil infestation above average prospective curtailment stimulating demand for goods.

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

Liverpool: Notwithstanding the advance in the basis market has a reactionary tendency owing to bulls selling out July delivery. The South is offering more freely loan cotton.

American cotton more freely offered for August sailing caused easier tone in nears. General tone is reactionary.

Messrs. Patel Brothers have received the following cable from their foreign friends:—

New York: Repossessions loan cotton considerably above Government figure 47,000: prices give repossessing growers attractive profit over much of belt. Domestic mill activity little changed; domestic businesss lower; commodities steady. Crop progress fair.

Liverpool: Market easier on reported tentative barter agreement reached for 1,000,000 bales against rubber.

WEATHER OVER U. S. A. COTTON BELT

Liverpool, May 23.

Temperature between 95 and 100 in Oklahoma and Texas; Light to moderate rainfall in Eastern Belt. The Daily Official U.S. Government forecast says "Entire Belt cloudy".

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, May 22

July	8.73—03
October	7.94+03
December	7.74+03
January	7.68+03
March	7.66+03
May	7.65+04
Middling Spot	9.73—03

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, May 22

July	8.78—06
October	8.04+04
December	7.84+03
Middling Spot	9.43—07

NEW YORK
New York, May 22

11-00 A.M. RANGES—	
July	8.68/8.68
October	7.87/7.87
December	7.66/7.66
NOON CALL—	
July	8.68
October	7.88
December	7.68

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS
New York, May 22

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	6,000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain	nil
Day's exports to the Continent	7,000 bales
Day's exports to China and Japan	8,000 bales

LIVERPOOL COTTON
Liverpool, May 22

May	5.12—10
June	4.99—10
July	4.84—10
August	4.68—10
September	4.56—07
October	4.50—07
November	4.40—05
December	4.40—05
January	4.40—04
February	4.41—04
March	4.42—04
April	4.43—04
May	4.44—03
Middling Spot	5.60—01
10-12 a.m. quotations	
July	4.89

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, May 22

Broach A/M highest 171 lowest 170 closing 170

Broach J/A highest 169 7/8 lowest 168 1/4 closing 168 3/8

New Broach A/M 1940 highest 157 1/2 lowest 156 1/4 closing 156 3/8

Oomra May highest 161 lowest 162 5/8 closing 162 5/8

Oomra July highest 163 lowest 161 1/4 closing 161 1/4

Oomra D/J highest 144 1/2 lowest 143 closing 143

Bengal May highest 127 lowest 126 closing 126

Bengal July highest 126 1/2 lowest 125 1/4 closing 125 1/4

Bengal D/J highest 120 1/4 lowest 119 1/4 closing 119 1/4

Night session: Broach J/A opening 168 1/4 highest 168 1/4 lowest 167 1/4 closing 167 5/8. Broach A/M 1940 closing 156 3/8.

There was moderate demand in the spot market at Sewri.

Egyptian Cotton

Liverpool, May 22

GIZA 2—	
Spot	6.64—6
May	6.46—6
July	6.56—6
October	6.56—8
November	6.59—8
January	6.62—9
March	6.66—8
UPPERS—	
Spot	5.83—10
May	5.63—10
July	5.64—10
October	5.58—11
November	5.57—11
January	5.58—11
March	5.60—11

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, May 22

SAKELS—	
May	11.39+4
July	11.75+3
November	12.22—3
ASHMOUNI—	
June	9.58—17
August	9.67—12
October	9.65—9
December	9.68—10
February	9.72—10
April	9.71
GIZA—	
May	11.36—24
July	[illegible]
November	11.71—10
January	[illegible]
March	11.81—10

Cotton Straddles

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES

Broach J/A New York July Rs. 39 1/2

Broach J/A Liverpool July Rs. 41

Broach J/A New York October Rs. 21 1/2

Broach J/A Liverpool October Rs. 29

Broach A/M 1940 New York March Rs. 28 1/2.

Broach A/M Liverpool March Rs. 37

New York Liverpool: July 75 October 90 December 90 January 96 March 1.02 May 1.05

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, May 22

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£69 1/2
Indian stock 3 per cent 1948	73
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	84 3/4
Indian stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	106 1/4
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	68 1/4
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	94 3/4
War loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952	94 1/4
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	106 1/2
Victory bonds	106 1/2
Chartered Bank of I A and China	7 7/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Reg	84 1/2
National Bank of India	30

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, May 22

T T London on:—	
New York	4.68.13
Paris	176.73
Berlin	11.66 3/4
Madrid	42.25
Montreal	4.69 13/16
Amsterdam	8.72 1/2
Brussels	27.49 3/4
Milan	89.02
Berne	20.79 1/4

LONDON SEEDS
London, May 22

Linseed La Plata May June sellers	£11-8-9
Linseed Calcutta May June sellers	13-1-3
Linseed Bombay May June sellers	13-8-9
Rapeseed Toria May June sellers	12-10-0
Castorseed Bombay May June sellers	11-12-6

LONDON PRODUCE
London, May 22

Rozario Santa Fe June sellers	21/1 1/2
Barletta Russo May sellers	23/4 1/2
South Australian May sellers	24

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, May 23

Following a decline of 3 points in New York cotton futures, the local market opened at Rs. 167/14 for J/A delivery and advanced to Rs. 168/8 on buying by jobbers, at this level, there was some profit taking and market declined to Rs. 167/8. Then market remained steady about Rs. 168 for some time.

Liverpool was due to open 3 points up and it opened 3 points up but afterwards it was unchanged, the rate of Broach J/A declined to Rs. 167/8. Rates at 4-30 p.m. were as under:

Broach A/M 1939	Rs.	169	6 0
Broach J/A 1939		167	10 0
Broach A/M 1940		156	10 0
Oomra May 1939		162	0 0
Oomra July 1939		160	0 0
Oomra D/J 1940		142	12 0
Bengal May 1939		126	4 0
Bengal July 1939		124	0 0
Bengal D/J 1940		118	4 0

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, May 23.

	Extra Spr-fine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M. G.—					
Bengal U.P.	...	133	130	127	124
Punjab	...	133	130	127	124
Rajputana	...	135	132	129	126
Oomra No. 3	169	167	165	163	...
C. P. No. 1	180	178	176	174	...
C. P. No. 2	173	171	169	167	...
Broach No. 2	...	176	174	172	170
Punjab-Ame.	...	200	198	196	194
Surat	...	216	214	212	210
Rajpipla	...	213	211	209	207
Navsari	...	225	223	221	219

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, May 23.

Bengal Superfine	132/33
Bengal Fine	128/29
Bengal F.G.	126/27
C. P. 1	172/77
C. P. 2	166/67
Arvi	167/68
Amraoti	160/64
Ellichpur	166/67
Berar	163/64
Malkapur	158/60
Khandesh	147/54
Jalna/Sailu	156/58
Burwah/Sanavad	160/62
Khandwa	162/64
Mathia F.G.	132/37
Broach	176/77
Punjab 4 F.	190/95
Punjab 289F.	215/20
Sindh N.T.	198/205
Ankleshwar/Jaghadia	205/07
Surat	210/12
Navsari	220/22
Western Farm	185/90

Indian Cotton Figures

Bombay, May 23.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.
Since 1st September.
In full-pressed Bales.

	2 days	This year.	Last year.
Khandesh	9	38,508	52,262
Central India	24	213,661	42,447
Barsi and Nagar	148	76,225	145,661
Hyderabad-Gaorani		4,337	39,985
Berar	86	161,553	315,587
Central Provinces	96	36,278	71,345
Total Oomras	363	530,562	667,267
Dholera	2,794	226,680	99,440
N.-W. Provinces		4,143	2,803
Rajputana	319	65,144	15,092
Sind-Punjab		316,520	507,607
Broach	1,579	405,266	247,156
Coompta and Dharwar	4,228	77,846	38,953
Westerns-Northerns	1,492	53,647	19,120
Cocoanada		84	13
Tinnevelly and Cambodia		2,629	2,680
American		3,362	174,909
Egyptian, African and Sudan	2	300,673	412,331
Comilla, Burma and other sorts		41	1,171
Total	10,177	1,986,497	2,188,542
Arrived by road to 18th May 39		361,231	...

Exports From Bombay

1st Sept. to 18th May.
In full-pressed Bales.

	Yester-day	This year.	Last year.
Europe	1,112	247,071	227,135
Japan and China	1,300	904,076	554,421
Coast Ports		28,319	52,448
Up-country by Rail		209,625	288,777
Afloat in harbour for Europe China and Japan		29,720	12,275
Total	2,412	1,418,811	1,135,055

American Cotton Figures

F.P. Bales	1938-39	1937-38
Receipts to date 22-5-39	3711000	7631000
Receipts Yesterday 22-5-39	6000	2000
Exports to date 22-5-39	3255000	5465000
Stock at Ports 19-5-39	2047000	2685000
Stock at Interior Towns 19-5-39	2689000	2212000
Stock at Liverpool 19-5-39	806000	1197000
Visible Supply 19-5-39	5431000	6465000
Quantity in sight 19-5-39	8794000	13154000
Quantity out of sight 19-5-39	8998000	9570000

Produce Receipts

Bombay, May 23.

Wheat	15,463 cwts.
Linseed	15,934 cwts.
Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds	43 cwts.
Gingellyseed	146 cwts.
Poppyseed	45 cwts.
Groundnuts	4,337 cwts.
Castorseed	673 cwts.
Rice	20,629 cwts.
Myrabollams	1,842 cwts.
Cottonseed	3 219 cwts.
Gram	4,025 cwts.
Joowar	224 cwts.
Barley	91 cwts.
Bajree	1,781 cwts.

LONDON RUBBER
London, May 22

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb Sellers	8 1/16

NEW YORK COFFEE
New York, May 22

Fair Rio Coffee No. 7 quality Unchanged.

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, May 23

London gold prices were £0-0-0 1/2 down at £7-8-5 1/2. London Paris exchange rate was unchanged at 176.73. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.68.13 at London and 4.68 3/16 at New York. London silver prices improved 1/16d. at 20 1/8d. for Spot and forward quotations also advanced 1/16d. at 19 15/16d. There was some Indian buying. Offerings were small. Market was quiet and inclined to be offered at fixed rate. Closing of the market was very quiet. New York Spot silver prices were unchanged at 42 3/4 cents and Shanghai T T on London was quoted 0/8. London Bombay Spot parity was Rs. 52-15 3/4 and forward was Rs. 52-9-0. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 23-11-0. In the local market business was restricted and prices fluctuations were narrow.

GOLD

Ready	Rs.	37	1 3
Jeth delivery		37	2 0
Jeth Tejimandi		0	1 6
Ashad delivery		37	2 5
Ashad Tejimandi		0	2 6

SILVER

Ready		52	13 0
Jeth delivery		52	14 6
Jeth Tejimandi		0	5 6
Ashad delivery		52	12 0
Ashad Tejimandi		0	11 6

LONDON SILVER
London, May 22

Spot	20 1/8
Forward	19 15/16

LONDON GOLD
London, May 22

Gold Bars Fine per oz	£7-8-5 1/2

LONDON METALS

London, May 22

Copper	£41 11 3
Lead	£14 10 0
Tin	£223 10 0
Spelter	£13 17 6

Bombay Metals

Bombay, May 23.

London Market—	
Standard copper cash (buyers)	£41-7-6
Standard copper 3 months	£41-12-6
Electrolytic copper	£47-15-0
Bombay Market—	
Yellow metal sheets	Rs. 39-14-0
Copper sheets	Rs. 49-8-0
Tone:—Steady.	

Groundnuts Coromandel Shelled

London, May 22.

June	£11-17-6
July	£11-17-6

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, May 23.

Groundnuts May—			
Opening	31	0	0
Highest	31	8	0
Lowest	31	0	0
Closing	31	8	0
Castorseeds Sept.—			
Opening	30	1	0
Highest	30	2	0
Lowest	30	0	0
Closing	30	0	0
Groundnuts Aug.—			
Opening	32	0	0
Highest	32	0	0
Lowest	31	8	0
Closing	31	8	9
Groundnuts Sept—			
Opening	26	15	9
Highest	26	15	9
Lowest	26	12	6
Closing	26	12	6

Wheat Liverpool

Liverpool, May 22.

May	55d.
May New	54d.
July	52 1/8d.
October	54 1/2d.
December	55 1/2d.

Wheat Chicago

Chicago, May 22.

May	dol 0.80 1/2.
July	dol 0.74 1/8.
September	dol 0.73 5/8

WHEAT FORECAST FOR 1938-39

The Director General of Commercial Intelligence has published the following All-India Fourth Wheat Forecast for 1938-39. The total area cultivated is estimated to be 34,692,000 acres yielding 9,765,000 tons against 35,343,000 acres and 10,553,000 tons corresponding to revised estimated of last year, the decrease being 2 per cent in area and 7 per cent in yield. The condition of the crop is reported to be fairly good on the whole.

New York Sugar

New York, May 22.

July	1.96.
September	2.00.
November	2.06.
January	1.97.

Bombay Sugar

Bombay, May 23.

Ready Javas	17 4 0
Shipment June	6 9 0
Shipment July	6 7 0
Shipment August	6 5 0
Shipment September	6 0 6
Java Spot F. 7.00 (Nominal)	

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

Bombay, May 22

Yarn No. 6 1/2s—			
June	98	0	0
August	98	0	0
October	99	0	0
Yarn No. 10 1/2s—			
June	109	8	0
August	109	8	0
October	110	0	0
Yarn No. 20 1/2s—			
June	141	8	0
August	142	8	0
October	143	0	0
Yarn No 40s—			
June	217	8	0
August	217	0	0
October	218	0	0

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, May 23

3 1/2 per cent G P Notes	96/8
2 3/4 per cent 1948/62	98/4
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan	99/2
3 per cent 1941 Bonds	102
3 per cent 1963/65	96/10
3 1/2 per cent 1947/55	103/8
4 per cent 1943 Bonds	107/2
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan	110/4
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan	114/4
5 per cent U P Bonds	86
5 per cent 1939/44 Loan	100/6
5 per cent 1940/43 Loan	103/12
TAX FREES	
5 per cent 1945/55	113/9
4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore	111/8
5 per cent 1955 Mysore	124
CORPORATION DEBENTURES	
4 per cent 1972 B P T	108
5 per cent 1959 M Deb	116
4 per cent 1974 M Deb	107
6 per cent M Deb 1954	127
6 per cent K P T 1956	127

Note:—3 1/2 per cent G P Notes opened at Rs. 96/5 declined to Rs. 96/1/6 to close steady at 96/6. Tone was steady.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, May 23

B C RATES—

T T D D 1/5 13/16 to December

LONDON—

Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 27/32 May on

Bank's buying T T 1/5 7/8

Bank's buying D D 1/5 29/32

Bank's buying 3 months 1/5 31/32 to April

NEW YORK—

Bank's selling T T 286

Bank's buying T T 285 5/8

Bank's buying D D 284 7/8

PARIS—

Bank's selling T T 1,304

Bank's buying T T 1,324

JAPAN—

Bank's selling T T 78 3/4

Bank's buying T T 77 5/8

Bank's buying 60 days 77 1/8

AMSTERDAM—

Bank's selling D D 64 1/4

JAVA—

Bank's selling D D 64 1/8

HONGKONG—

Bank's selling D D 84 5/8

SHANGHAI—

Bank's selling D D 47 1/8

SINGAPORE—

Bank's selling D D 157

BERLIN—

Bank's selling D D 85 3/4

CROSS RATES—

Hongkong London 1/2 29/32 23rd instant

Shanghai London 0/8 1/4 23rd instant

Japan London 1/2 1/64 23rd instant

Java London 8.70 1/4 23rd instant

New York London 4.68.25 22nd instant

London New York 4.68.13 22nd instant

London Paris 176.73 22nd instant

London Italy 89.02 22nd instant

London Belgium 27.49 3/4 22nd instant

London Switzerland 20.79 1/4 22nd instant

London Berlin 11.66 3/4 22nd instant

London Stockholm 19.42 3/8 22nd instant

London Amsterdam 8.72 1/2 22nd instant

Tone of Sterling Exchange: Quiet.

Gold £7-8-6 20th instant

Gold £7-8-5 1/2 22nd instant

Silver London Ready 20 1/16 20th instant

Silver London Ready 20 1/8 22nd instant

Silver London Forward 19 7/8 20th instant

Silver London Forward 19 15/16 22nd instant

Silver New York Ready 43 20th instant

Silver New York Ready 43 22nd instant

London discounts 3 months 11/16 per cent 20th instant

London discounts 3 months 11/16 per cent 22nd instant

London discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent 20th instant.

London discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent 22nd instant

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.

Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.

Money:—

Call 1/2 per cent.

3 months 1 per cent

6 months 1 per cent

Tone:—Easier.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, May 22

Call Loan London	1/2
3 per cent	73
2 1/2 per cent	84 3/4
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	98
4 per cent 1948/53	102 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	106 1/4
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	107 3/4
5 per cent 1942/47	104 3/4
3 per cent 1949/52	96
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	68 1/4
3 1/2 per cent War loan	94 1/4
4 per cent Funding loan 1960/90	106 1/2
Indian Iron and Steel New Ordinary	37/6 steady.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA BOMBAY

Tenders For Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. Two Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 23rd May 1939. Total amount offered was Rs. 5,70,00,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-9-6 were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-3-3 allotted approximately 82 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. Two Crores, the average rate of accepted tenders being Rs. 1-10-11 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Two Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 30th May 1939. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 2nd June 1939. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 19th May 1939, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 1,79,00,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

LINSEED OILS
London, May 22

Linseed oil naked London per cwt	
June sellers	24/9
July August sellers	24/9

Tata Steel Shares Look Up

BRISK DEMAND FOR CEMENT

Cotton Mills Display Good Movements

BOMBAY: May 23.

Yesterday the Wall-Street Market opened steady, but later on staged a recovery owing to the sharp improvement in Steel output. U. S. Steel shares closed dol. 1-3/4 up at 46-1/2, while Anaconda Copper closed dol. 5/8 up at 24.

The local market opened steady and under scattered selling prices weakened at first. But profit-taking sales were readily absorbed at declines. Professional Operators were chief buyers to-day and they pushed the prices up. It will be seen that these upward moves are not automatic but are the creation of powerful hands and it appears that the market is displaying cheerful tone with a feeling of confidence.

Cotton Mill shares displayed good feeling and under scattered buying prices hardened. Tata Power registered a sharp rise and closed the highest of the day. Associated Cement shares were in good demand.

Tata Steel Dfds. opened to-day at Rs. 1,332 and after declining to Rs. 1,320 the low level of the day advanced to Rs. 1,340 and finally closed at Rs. 1,333-12.

Tata Power opened to-day at Rs. 1,265 and advanced to Rs. 1,289 which was the highest of the day and closed at the same price. Associated Cement shares opened at Rs. 124-8 and after declining to Rs. 123-8 advanced to Rs. 125-12 and closed to Rs. 124-8.

TEXTILE SHARES

BOMBAY, May 23.

100	Ahmd. Advance	265 0
100	BOM. DYEING	757 8
100	CENTURY	208 0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	210 0
100	COLABA	108 8
100	Coorla	83 2
250	David	25 0
250	Dawn	280 0
1	E. D. Sassoon	0-4-0
100	Finlay	92 8
100	GOKAK	127 8
1,000	Hindustan	1675 0
100	Indore	42 8
100	Khatau	81 4
100	KOHINOOR	219 0
200	Laxmi	427 8
250	Madras United	35 0
100	MORARJI	112 0
250	Model	44 4
50	MYSORE	82 8
100	NEW GREAT	186 0
100	Osmanshahi	41 0
100	PHOENIX	200 0
25	Sassoon Silk	69 0
1,000	Sholapur	2,725 0
50	SIMPLEX	69 8
1000	SWADESHI XD	93 0
100	SWAN	90 0
500	Vishnu	1040 0
1.000	Westerns	860 0
	BANKS	
50-100	Baroda	111 0
25-500	Central	32 10
500	Imperial	1,530 0
125-500	Imp. Conty.	375 10
50-100	India	141 8
100	Reserve Bank	111 8
5	Union	6 1
	CEMENTS	
100	Associated	124 8
	INSURANCE	
100	Empire	640 0
15-100	Jupiter	14 0
20	Mercantile	53 8
17-75	New India	40 0
200	Oriental	4,100 0
10-50	Vulcan	7 5
	ELECTRIC	
25	Ah. New	54 8
10	Amalgamated	12 0
1,000	ANDHRA VALLEY	1,420 0
10	Ajmer	11 4
50	Bombay Tram	127 0
100	Bombay Suburban	141 4
10	Broach	10 4
100	Karachi	191 0
100	Poona	190 0
100	Surat	149 6
100	TATA HYDRO	150 0
1,000	TATA POWERS	1,280 0
	RAILWAYS	
500	Ahmedabad Prantij	995 0
100	C Province	101 8
100	Dh. Baramati	101 8
100	Gujarat	98 8
100	Mandra Bhon	99 8
100	Pachora Jamner	87 0
100	Sara Serajganj	100 8
500	Tapti Valley	763 12
	MININGS	
9	Burma Corp.	5 10
2sh.	Indian Copper	1 14
10	Indian Iron and Steel	25 4
10	Shivrajpur	37 0
30	TATA STEEL DEFDS.	1,333 12
75	TATA STEEL ORD.	281 8
	MISCELLANEOUS	
100	ALCOCK	337 0
10	Air Services	7 12
50	BELAPUR SUGAR	178 8
200	Bombay Safe Dep.	793 0
250	BOMBAY STEAM	225 0
125	B. BURMA	456 0
50	B. BURMA CONT.	157 8
8sh.	Br. B. Petrol	3-5-6
50	BOMBAY TELEPHONE	81 8
100	IND. BLEACHING	94 0
50	Ind. Invest Trust	42 8
100	I. Radio Defd.	325 0
100	I. Radio Ord.	325 0
100	Port Canning	70 8
30	Premier Con.	70 8
10	Scindia	17 13
25	Tata Oil Mill (nil)	39 0
	PREFERENCE	
5-1/2	Amalgamated (T.F.)	106 0
7	p.c. Andra Valley	1,410 0
6	p.c. Bombay Steam	295 0
7	p.c. Bombay Tram (T.F.)	76 12
5	p.c. Central India (T.F.)	544 6
6-1/4	p.c. Prem. Const. 1st	104 12
6-1/4	p.c. Prem Const. 2nd	96 8
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	144 6
7-1/2	p.c. Tata Power	1545 0
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st	205 0
7½	p.c. Tata Steel Second	159 0
	p.c. Vishnu	117 8
	DEBENTURES	
3-3/4	p.c. Andhra Valley	101 12
6	p.c. Andhra Valley	105 10
7	p.c. Bombay Telephone	50 4
7	p.c. Sholapur	77 6
8	p.c. Tata Hydro	105 8

(Capital Letters indicate Shares on Forward List).

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, May 23

Bombay Dyeing (751/4) 752 750 755 753 757

Century (207) 208 207 208

Central India (210) 211 210

Kohinoor (219) 219 217/8 219

New Great (186) 187 185/8 186

Simplex (68/8) 69 68/8 69/8

Swadeshi (195) XD 196/8 195 196

Associated Cement (123/8) 124/8 123/8 124/4 125/12 124/12 124/8

Andhra (1415) 1415 1420

Tram Ord (126/12) 127/4 127

Tata Hydro (150) 150/8 150

Tata Power (1260) 1265 1272 1270 1273 1280

T Steel Defd (1312/8) 1332 1327 1335 1320 1335 1340 1330 1337 1333/12

T Steel Ord (278) 281 280 282 281/8

Tata Steel 2nd Pref (158/4) 159

Bellapur (179) 178 179 178/8

B Steam (221) 221 227 225

B Burma (453) 455 452 456

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, May 23

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

3 1/2 per paper	86/5
4 per cent 1960/70	110/6
5 per cent 1945/55	113/10

BANKS

Bank of Baroda	112/8
Bank of Hindusthan	97/4
Bank of India	141
Central Bank	32/10
Imperial Bank F P	1540
Imperial Bank P P	375/10
Indian Overseas Bank	46/8
Reserve Bank	111/12
Union Bank	6/2

TEXTILES

Ahmd New Textiles	360
Ambica	260/10
Arun	215
Arvind	1065
Asok	155
Bharatkhand	2025
Bombay Dyeing	755
Buckingham and Carnatics	173
Calico	571/4
Central India	210
Century	207/8
Colaba	108/8
Delhi Cloth and Gen Mills	480
Elgin	102/8
Gokak	127/8
Hukumchand	168/2
Indore	46/4
Jubilee	204/6
Khatau Makanji	81/4
Kohinoor	218/12
Laxmi Cotton	450
Madhusudan	200
Marsden	77/8
Morarji	111/14
Mysore	82/8
Nandlal Bhandari	77/4
New Great	185/10
Raipur	580
Rajnagar	175
Sajjan	97/8
Sassoon and Alliance XD	64
Sholapur	2800
Simplex	69/6
Swadeshi	195/10
Vishnu	1040

HYDRO ELECTRICS

Andhra Valley Ord	1420
Tata Hydro Ord	150
Tata Power Ord	1278/12

ELECTRICS

Ahmedabad Electrics	141/4
Ajmer Electrics	11/4
Amalgamated	11/4
Bombay Suburban	141/4
Bombay Tram	126/14
Lahore Electrics	445
Surat Electrics	146/4

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock Ashdown	336/14
Associated Cements	124/4
Belapur	178/2
Bombay Burma New	156/4
Bombay Burma Old	455
Bombay Steam	224/6
Bombay Telephone	81/8
Br B Petrol	3/5/6
Burma Corporation	5/10
Dalmia Cement	10/12
Indian Bleaching	93/12
Industrial Investment Tr	40/12
Indian Radio Ord	307/8
Indian Radio Defd	301/4
India Copper	1/14
Indian Iron	25/4
Mysore Sugar	30
Port Canning	70/8
Premier Construction	70/4
Rohtas Industries	22/8
Scindia Steam	17/12
Shivrajpur	37
Tata Oil	39
Tata Steel Ordy	282
Tata Steel Defd	1335
Bengal Steel Co-op.	12/10

JUTES

Birla Jute	16
Howrah	53/12
Hukumchand	5
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BOMBAY: WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 1939

Where National Flags And Gandhi Caps Were Seized And Burnt

Meherally Exhorts Cutch State's PeopleTo Be Prepared For All Eventualities

(From Our Correspondent)

CUTCH BHUJ, May 23.

A most important declaration of policy since suspension of Satyagraha on April 1, was made by Mr. Yusuf Meherally, President Cutchi Prajakiya Parishad while addressing an overflow meeting at Mandvi.

It will be recalled that events in Cutch have been moving rapidly during the last three weeks and tension is daily increasing. With the arrival of Sjt. Meherally, things have been taking definite shape and Parishad workers have been holding earnest consultations about the future line of work.

NATIONAL AWAKENING

Mr. Meherally declared that the last few months had seen astonishing national awakening in Cutch. The Mundra session of the Parishad in the only resolution it passed declared responsible Government as its immediate objective and gave three months' time to the State for its establishment. During the interval the task of preparation was actively undertaken and in nearly 1,000 villages of the Cutch State, new life began. The attention of the whole country was focussed on the first day of April when direct action was timed to start.

LIKE THUNDERBOLT

Mr. Meherally added:

"On the very eve of commencement came Mahatma Gandhi's advice to call halt to Civil Disobedience in all States, to give time to Princes to adjust themselves with the developing situation and do the right thing by their subjects. This announcement came to us as a thunderbolt but along with the people of numerous other States, we bowed to Mahatmaji's advice. Civil Disobedience was suspended and orientation made in other activities. Over seven weeks have elapsed and the only change that can be detected in the attitude of Cutch State is change for worse coupled with the desire to crush the Prajaparishad during the time of a suspension. Numerous difficulties have been placed even in the prosecution of routine activities. How long the Parishad is expected to bear this new offensive lying down? Two leading Parishad workers have been arrested and sentenced in the most arbitrary manner on a ludicrous charge of extortion. After arrest, these leaders were paraded through streets with handcuffs on and ropes tied round their body. No civilised Government would ever dream of treating even its most desperate criminals in this fashion. As if this was not enough as soon as they entered prison yard they were seized upon and beaten in a manner that has profoundly shocked the conscience of the whole of Cutch. One of the leaders was beaten down to unconsciousness and for some time, there was acute anxiety about his condition. Even to-day, there is no reassuring news at all about them. Public feeling was running very high and the jailor responsible for beating was suspended.

TRI-COLOUR BURNT

"Just before this took vlace another incident created stir all over the State. In the little village of Mankuva situated only 8 miles away from the capital city, Bhuj Parishad volunteers were surrounded and assaulted. The National Flag was seized and burnt. Bonfire was made of Gandhi caps. Volunteers were mercilessly assaulted and a meeting was broken. It was only the timely and energetic intervention of villages that saved further mischief.

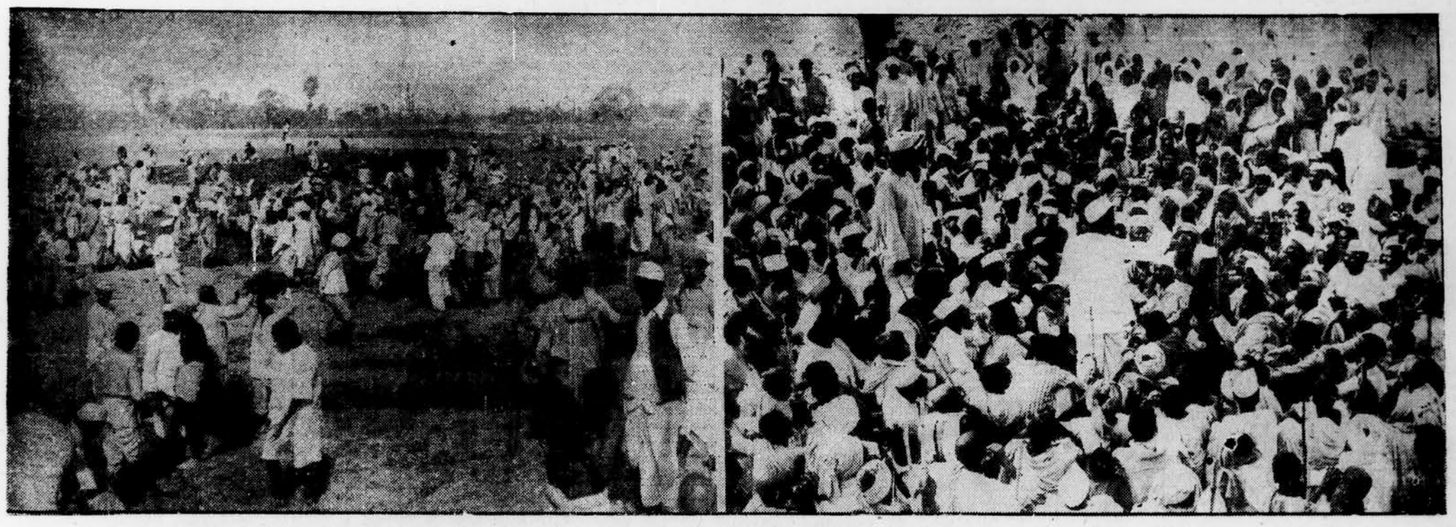
"There was naturally great indignation when the news spread and when Parishad workers wished to hold a meeting at the same place on the following day, the State instead of enforcing the order and taking action against those responsible for the incident, issued an order warning Parishad from holding that meeting on the specious plea of their being a likelihood of breach of peace.

IS THIS ALL ACCIDENTAL?

"It is now crystal clear that all this was not accidental. We have no doubt suspended Civil Disobedience, but that has been a voluntary act of discipline, a restriction we have placed on ourselves. We have observed the very spirit and letter of suspension but now we are being confronted with intolerable situation in which our very organisation is sought to be broken up. Above all, civil liberties have been attacked in a very ostentatious manner. While we hold suspension for the present, we are forced to consider how long we can continue to hold ourselves in check when even elementary civil liberties are being invaded. If this crisis further develops Parishad will not hesitate to take a firm stand."

Concluding Mr. Meherally appealed to the people to prepare for all eventualities. Wild cheering greeted the statement and shouts of "inquilab zindabad" continued for several minutes.

RURAL UPLIFT WORK IN BIHAR



Rural uplift work in Bihar was inaugurated recently during the Gandhi Seva Sangh Session at Brindaban: Picture shows Congress workers and villagers digging a large tank for supply of water for agricultural purposes.

Pt. Prajapati Mishra (centre) the chief organiser of the Rural development work addressing a large gathering of villagers near Brindaban asking for their co-operation.

INQUIRY INTO BARODA DISTURBANCES

BARODA, May 22.

The recording of evidence by the Committee, appointed to inquire into the disturbances that occurred in January last during the visit to Baroda of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, has commenced here.

An application submitted on behalf of the Baroda Loyalists Group was disallowed by the recording officers, while the application on behalf of the Praja Mandal, stating that they made no allegations against Mr Pradhan, Vakil and Prof. Manikrao and that inquiry against them be dropped, was allowed.

Five witnesses were examined on behalf of the Prajamandal.—United Press.

JAMNAGAR BAN ON PROCESSIONS

Public Appeal For Lifting It

(From Our Correspondent.)

JAMNAGAR, May 22.

A public meeting was held at Gandhi Chowk under the auspices of the Youth League to protest against the State's orders prohibiting processions in the state.

Mr. Mohanlal Kundali moved the main resolution and requested the authorities to withdraw the ban. The resolution was passed unanimously.

A resolution protesting against the goondaism in Bhavnagar was also adopted.

ACCUSED IN MURDER CASE AS SATYAGRAHI

HYDERABAD, (Deccan) (By Mail)

The reference in the Dhulpet Double Murder case arising out of the appeals preferred by Umrao Singh and twentythree others convicted in connexion with the deaths of two Muslims during the communal disturbances in the city in April 1938, which was due to come up for hearing on May 21 before Justice Abu Sayeed Mirza, has been postponed till 11th June as two of the accused, Sohanlal and Hakim Mahabir Pershad, were not present in the court.

Regarding Sohanlal a report was received that he was undergoing imprisonment in the Gulbarga Jail on a charge of offering satyagraha in connexion with the Arya Samaj campaign in the State and therefore the summons was not served on him. In the case of Hakim Mahabir Pershad, it was stated that his house was locked up.

His Lordship in adjourning the hearing ordered the re-issue of the summons against them.—A.P.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES IN INDIA

Nine Million Working Days Lost In Year

SIMLA, May 17.

The highest number of industrial disputes in British India yet recorded in about the last two decades was in 1938. There were 399 disputes involving 401,000 workers, as against 379 disputes with 648,000 workers in 1937. The total number of working days lost was 9,199,000 as compared with 8,982,000 in 1937.

In all cotton textile mills and jute mills accounted for 39 per cent. of the strikes, 70.8 per cent. of the workers involved and 71.1 per cent. of the loss of working days. In 212 of the strikes or 53 per cent. the chief demand related to wages or bonuses. The number of strikes in which the workmen were successful in gaining concessions was 181 or approximately 46 per cent. of the total.

London, May 22.—The B. B. C. announces that the King will broadcast to the Empire from Winnipeg at the conclusion of the Empire Day programme organised by the Canadian Broadcasting Company on May 24.

PARISHAD 'PATRON' SENTENCED

Kolhapur Citizens Garland Him

(From Our Correspondent.)

KOLHAPUR, May 23.

Rao Saheb Chougule, City Magistrate, Kolhapur, convicted Sriyut Rambhau Shete, a popular Shahupuri merchant, on the charge of helping the cause of the Kolhapur Prajaparishad and sentenced him this morning to six months rigorous imprisonment and fine of Rs. 1,000 under the Criminal Law Amendment Act, 1908, Section 17.

Syt. Shete denied the charge and strongly protested that a false case was launched against him by the police. He received the sentence cheerfully. On coming out of the court he was garlanded by some citizens and a large crowd shouted 'Mahatma Gandhiki Jay'.

At ten he was taken to the central State jail. Sjt. Shete was arrested on 20th May.

YOUTH SENTENCED TO TRANSPORTATION

RAWALPINDI, May 22.

Mahomed Khan, a 17-year-old boy of a village in Tehsil Chakwal, was awarded transportation for life by the Sessions Judge, Jhelum, under Section 302 I.P.C. for the offence of murdering his wife.

According to the prosecution the accused was working in his fields when his wife brought his dinner somewhat late. He abused his wife who also retaliated. This exasperated the boy who picked up an axe and killed her with one stroke.—United Press.

INDIANS IN THE COMMONWEALTH

Deterioration Of Status Under Kenya Order

Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas writes in the Manchester Guardian, in Mail week:—

Sir,—The steady and rapid deterioration in the status of Indians in various parts of the British Commonwealth—Fiji, Ceylon, Malaya, Burma, British Guiana, East Africa (not to mention South Africa)—is causing the utmost concern to those of us in India who have been brought up on hopes of ultimate disappearance of racial discrimination. Our countrymen abroad, who number two and a half million, exclusive of those in Burma, are being driven to desperation in one colony after another by the systematic withdrawal of their just and legitimate rights assured to them by previous British Cabinets and new indignities and humiliations imposed on them intolerable from any standpoint.

KENYA ORDER-IN-COUNCIL.

The Order-in-Council regarding the reservation of the Kenya Highlands for Europeans is the latest instance of Indians being condemned to a lower class of citizenship than that enjoyed by the European races. In 1922 the Wood-Winterton Report on Kenya had referred to the Indian Office reserving to itself the right to reopen the question of a change in the law and practice existing at that time. In the following year, the Indian community rejected the White Paper proposal to uphold the reservation of the Highlands for Europeans. Hopes of a change in official outlook were, however, roused four years later by a statement on behalf of His Majesty's Government in another White Paper that "the Imperial Government desired to associate more closely in the high and honourable task (of native trusteeship) those who as colonists or residents, have identified their interests with the prosperity of the country." This was hailed by the Indian community as pointing to the recognition of its equality of status with other immigrant communities.

It is not necessary to refer in detail to the disappointing recommendations of the Morris-Carter Commission three years ago, proposing to reserve the Highlands exclusively for Europeans by an Order-in-Council. Even the Government of India, by a strange incapacity for vigorous championship of the Indian cause at critical times, preferred to ignore the many warnings conveyed through such channels as Lord Lugard's letters to the "Times" in 1936 hinting at "changes in principles and precedents of far-reaching importance" and representations by the Imperial Citizenship Association of Bombay and the East African Indian National Congress. In February, 1938, the last mentioned body described the draft Order in Council in the following terms:—"We, Indians in Kenya, maintain that the draft Order in Council puts the seal of law on a position which is both humiliating and harmful to Indians in Kenya, and we want the Government of India to prevent the promulgation of the draft Order in Council, and also to make representation for the discontinuance of the present vicious and unjust practice of excluding Indians from the Highlands reserved for Europeans of every nationality."

PROMISES BROKEN.

But the actual publication of the Order in Council has confirmed our worst fears. It is clear to us, as to Indians in Kenya, that all previous announcements and assurances by the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Government of India have proved to be misleading. It is grotesque to regard the Order in Council as merely confirming past administrative practice. The Highlands Board, to take only one point of substance, will consist only of Europeans, in whom will be vested the control, disposition, and the economic development of the Highlands. This goes much farther than past administrative practice, which had restricted the ownership of lands and transfer from one race to another but will now be extended to the administration, management, development, or control of land in the Highlands. This Board, it is stated, "will protect the best interests of the inhabitants of the Highlands"—which, in plain language, means only European interests. The Order in Council, which will perpetuate the policy

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CHARLIE CHAN — BROKEN GLASS!

FATHER! I HAVE A SURPRISE FOR YOU—IN FACT TWO SURPRISES—INSPECTOR CHAN AND MR. KIRK BARROW!
CHARLIE! CHARLIE! I'M SO GLAD TO SEE YOU! HOW ARE YOU, MR. BARROW? IT WAS GOOD OF YOU TO COME!
I'VE BEEN TELLING INSPECTOR CHAN AND MR. BARROW SOMETHING ABOUT THE SITUATION HERE, FATHER!
OH-OH-YES!
YOU SAW WHAT HAPPENED A FEW MINUTES AGO? YOU SAW MRS. PULASKI PASS ME BY WITHOUT SPEAKING TO ME?
HER HUSBAND USED TO WORK IN MY MINE! NOW THEIR LIVELIHOOD HAS STOPPED! I'VE LOST THE RESPECT OF EVERYONE!
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